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## SINO-SOVIET BREAK.

### BOTH SIDES WATCHING AND WAITING.

### NANKING LEADERS DISCUSS THE LATEST MOSCOW NOTE.

### TAKING SECOND BREATH.

While no important developments are reported, anxiety in regard to the Sino-Soviet breach is unalloyed. The Nanking Government has received the second Soviet Note, but remains calm. Mr. Wu Han-min expressing the opinion that the Russians are taking their "second breath."

China, says Mr. Wu Han-min, is prepared for any development, though he does not regard war as probable.

Moscow says that the nature of measures to be taken depends upon the further development of events.

Extensive troop movements in Manchuria continue, and large Soviet forces are reported to be concentrated at Manchuli.

### BERLIN OPINION DISCOUNTED.

Nanking, July 18.  
It is officially stated that the National Government's Foreign Office received the full text of the second Soviet Note to China, breaking off diplomatic relations, and describing the Chinese Note as unsatisfactory, late this evening.

The Note was immediately sent to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who called into conference Mr. Wu Han-min, the Director of the Legislative Yuan, Mr. Tai Chi-tao, the Director of the Examination Yuan, and Mr. Sun Fo, the Director of Railways and Communications.

An official announcement was made to Pressmen shortly before midnight by Mr. Wu Han-min.

#### "A Second Breath."

He said the Government was unperturbed by the Soviet Note as it was expected. The leaders of the Government are inclined to look upon it as a "second breath" and do not expect that anything serious will come of it.

Mr. Wu Han-min added that war between China and Russia is most improbable, but as a result of the recent conference between Chiang Kai-shek and Chang Hsiueh-shang at Peking, the National Government was prepared for any development.—*Reuter.*

#### RUSSIAN PRESSURE.

Berlin Suggestion Entirely Discredited.

Shanghai July 19.  
The suggestion emanating from Berlin diplomatic circles that the rupture of Sino-Russian railway communications is the result of economic pressure being exerted on China by Russia is utterly discredited by those with knowledge of the situation.

It is pointed out that Russia and Japan have been engaged for years in the bitterest struggle for Manchuria's freight traffic, and the effect of the closing of Russia's frontiers serves only to divert the freight to the South Manchuria Railway (under Japan's control) leaving the Siberian lines entirely without freight.—*Reuter.*

#### Germany as Go-Between.

Berlin, July 18.  
The German Government has agreed to take charge of Chinese interests in Russia and Russian interests in China.—*Reuter.*

#### Awakening Developments.

Moscow, July 18.  
The Soviet official organ, *Izvestia*, says that the rupture between China and Russia involves the question of the safety of many Russians living on the eastern frontier, which will compel the Soviets to take adequate measures for defence against possible attacks by the Chinese militarists and the White Russians.

"The nature of these measures depends upon the further development of events."—*Reuter.*

#### BRITISH COMMENT.

Press Divided As To Who is to Blame.

London, July 19.  
The seriousness of the Sino-Russian situation is not underestimated here.

Opinion is divided as to which of the two nations' shoulders most of the blame should be placed, but at the same time it is not felt that hostilities are likely to ensue.

The *Daily Telegraph* says all eyes now turn towards Japan, and thinks it possible that Tokyo's first step will be to offer the service of Japan as a mediator in order to avert hostilities. The journal adds that both China and Russia appear to have forgotten their pledges under the Kellogg Pact.

The *Morning Post* regards the rupture of relations as being more formidable on paper than it is in reality. It thinks that although Japan is inclined to favour the Soviet in this quarrel, its attitude would certainly be modified if Russian arms proved victorious in the Far East.

The *Daily Mail*, which is most prejudiced against the Bolsheviks, says the crisis is proving, after all, their furious denunciations of "imperialism," that they are themselves the most extreme of imperialists.

The Labour organ, the *Daily Herald*, sides with the Soviet.

#### A Mediator?

Peking, July 18.  
It is rumoured that the Soviet authorities intend to invite the United States of America to act as mediator in the Sino-Russian imbroglio.

An influential member of the Peking Diplomatic Corps to-day expressed the opinion that the relations of China and the Soviet Government, though grave, are not as bad as is feared.

He said it would be better to invite a Power with the least interest in Manchurian development to act as mediator pointing out that the League of the Nations would render most valuable assistance if the two governments were desirous of a peaceful settlement.

Referring to the employment of White Russians on the C.E.R., after the dismissal of the Soviet nominees, the speaker said it was a great mistake. The White Russians are still regarded by the Soviet Government as enemies of the present regime in Russia.

#### British Interest.

London, July 18.  
In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Arthur Henderson informed a questioner that the Government have not yet received a reply to a telegraphic request to the Minister in Peking for the latest information regarding the Sino-Soviet diplomatic situation.—*Reuter.*

#### Troop Movements.

Harbin, July 18.  
The Soviet Consulate was closed yesterday morning and as a result (Continued on Page 11.)

## SHANGHAI "REDS" ARRESTED.

### ATTACKS ON TRAM AND MOTOR CARS.

### MR. T. V. SOONG'S VEHICLE IS DAMAGED BY RIOTERS.

### BIG MOB AGITATION.

Shanghai, July 15.  
Twenty-seven Chinese belonging to the Young Communist Party of Kiangsu were arrested yesterday morning by police from Pootoo Road Station following a demonstration on Ichang Road during which several hundred men and women participated in an orgy of window breaking and their damage.

Four motor cars, one of which was being used by Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of Finance, were severely damaged by the crowd, and a railway car had practically every window broken. Police were patrolling the district throughout the rest of the day as a precaution against further disturbances.

#### Start of Trouble.

The trouble commenced shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning when a crowd consisting for the greater part of Chinese of the student type gathered on a piece of ground at the corner of Ferry and Macao Roads in the Pootoo Road District. Orators addressed the gathering, the speeches being mostly directed against the Kuomintang and the existing government.

#### Tramcar Attacked.

Pamphlets were distributed with a lavish hand and those in the forefront of the procession carried banners bearing inscriptions opposing the Kuomintang. During the march, slogans of an anti-Government nature were shouted by the crowd but everything went along peacefully until a railway tram car appeared. A number of the Chinese picked up stones and hurled them through the tram windows, breaking practically every pane of glass but without doing much damage to the few people inside.

#### Motor Cars Damaged.

Not satisfied with this demonstration, the procession continued the march until reaching a spot just about opposite the Chinese Government Mint in Ichang Road. Standing outside were a number of motor cars and the crowd, for no obvious reason, attacked these vehicles breaking the windows and doing considerable damage to the paint work and bodies.

Two of the cars belonged to Mr. Kwok Bui, managing director of Wing On and Co., another to Mr. C. Howitt, American engineer in charge of the Mint and another one to Mr. Sarrent also one of the Mint officials. One of the cars owned by Mr. Kwok Bui was being used at the time by Mr. T. V. Soong who was inside the Mint during the demonstration.

The police of Pootoo Road Station were immediately informed of the trouble and a party led by Inspector Ring and Detective Sergeant Cardell rushed to the scene in motor cars. After nighting at one of the crossroads Det. Cardell accompanied by a Chinese police constable out-distanced the remainder of the police party and catching up with the procession broke through the ranks to the front.

#### Policeman Badly Handled.

It was obvious that the only method of dealing with the crowd which was working itself into an ugly temper was to seize the leaders and Det. Cardell set about this. Forcing his way to the front the police officer seized one of the banners carried by two Chinese on bamboo poles. The crowd immediately turned on the foreign policeman and with sticks, fists and shoes attacked him, eventually sending him to the ground with a blow on the head from behind. Fortunately at this moment the remainder of the party arrived on the scene and broke up the crowd, undoubtedly saving Det. Cardell from a dangerous situation. The procession was scattered in a short time but the police man-

## RIGHT OF ASYLUM IN BRITAIN.

### WHY TROTSKY WAS REFUSED ADMISSION.

### GOVERNMENT'S FEAR.

London, July 18.  
No alien has the right to claim asylum in Britain if it is contrary to the interests of the country to receive him, said Mr. J. R. Clynes, the Home Secretary, replying to a number of questions in the House of Commons to-day, respecting Mr. Trotsky, and the terms of his request when he asked to be permitted to land in Britain.

Mr. Clynes said that Mr. Trotsky based his application on his desire to undergo medical treatment, to follow scientific studies and to superintend the publication of his autobiography.

Assurances were offered on his behalf that, if admitted, he would not interfere with the domestic affairs of the country or take part in any public meetings or seek to make himself prominent in any way. No communication on the subject of his application had been received from the Soviet Government.

The decision of the British Government to refuse facilities for his visit was taken after the fullest consideration of all the circumstances. It could be justified without affecting in any way the good faith of those who offered assurances on Mr. Trotsky's behalf.

In the Government's view if Mr. Trotsky were allowed to come persons of mischievous intentions would unquestionably seek to exploit his presence for their own ends and if consequently, he became a source of grave embarrassment, the Government would have no certainty of being able to secure his departure.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

### LAST LAPS FOR THE SWEDISH FLIERS.

### TAKE OFF FROM GREENLAND FOR LABRADOR.

London, July 18.

It is learned from Tegetat, Greenland, that the Swedish seaplane "Sverige" has left for Labrador.

The "Sverige" is engaged on a flight from Stockholm to New York, via Iceland and Greenland. The seaplane is piloted by Captain Ahrenberg, who has two companions on the long flight.—*Reuter.*

Later.  
The "Sverige" has returned, owing to dense fog.—*Reuter.*

### TROPICAL MEDICINE RESEARCH.

### PRINCE OF WALES STRESSES ITS VALUE.

London, July 18.

The Prince of Wales, opening the new London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, said that in his travels he had witnessed an appalling loss of lives and effort due to tropical disease, and he had realised how great was the value of research in tropical medicine and hygiene development.—*British Wireless.*

### SUDDEN RISE IN THE PRICE OF WHEAT.

### BRITAIN'S BREAD TO COST MUCH MORE.

London, July 18.

A substantial rise in the price of bread is anticipated as the result of an increase in wheat prices by £1 per quarter since May 31st.

The remarkable rise is attributed to the drought in Argentina and elsewhere, plus heavy speculation in the American markets.—*Reuter.*

agitated to arrest 27 of the participants, at the same time seizing a large quantity of communist literature. The arrested men were taken to Pootoo Road Station where they were charged under the old anti-revolutionary code. They will all be brought before the Provisional Court this morning.

## BREEZE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

### SHARP DUEL ON NAVAL PROGRAMME.

### PREMIER AND MR. CHURCHILL CROSS SWORDS.

### INUENDO RESENTED.

London, July 18.

A sharp duel of words occurred in the House of Commons to-day between Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Premier, and Mr. Winston Churchill. The incident arose out of a question put by Mr. Churchill regarding the naval programme, in which, as a former First Lord of the Admiralty, he takes special interest.

Mr. Churchill requested that Parliament should have an opportunity of expressing an opinion before any important decision reversing the British naval programme was taken.

#### Ordinary Powers.

Mr. MacDonald: Certainly not. The Government will take just the ordinary powers of a Government in this matter. (Labour cheers.)

Mr. Churchill then asked: Is a grave decision affecting the programme being withheld until Parliament separates?

This evoked the warm retort from the Premier: That is a most unworthy suggestion.

The Premier added that he was doing his utmost to get the negotiations to a point which would enable him to make a full statement before the House rose for the Summer Recess. If it was impossible, he could not do it.—*Reuter.*

#### First Lord's Statement.

The matter was referred to in the House of Commons on Wednesday, when Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, replied to a number of questions regarding the Government's naval programme, especially in connection with the reported intention to discontinue the building of submarines.

The whole matter, said Mr. Alexander, was under consideration, and he forecasted that the Prime Minister would make a pronouncement in Parliament upon the whole question of naval armament before the Summer Recess. He was, however, unable to give the actual date of the Premier's statement.

#### Ministers' Secretaries.

Mr. L. MacNeil Weir, M.P., for East Stirlingshire, has been appointed Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Prime Minister. Mr. Weir acted in this capacity when the Socialist Government was in office in 1924.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, Lord Privy Seal, has appointed Mr. E. H. Marsh and Mr. H. D. Hancock to be his joint Private Secretaries.

Lord Thompson, Secretary for Air, has appointed Mr. C. L. Bullock to be his principal Private Secretary, and Mr. P. J. Oldfield to be his assistant Private Secretary.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, has appointed Mr. H. V. Markham and Mr. T. Fry to be his Private Secretaries.

Miss Margaret Bondfield, Minister of Labour, has appointed Mr. W. H. Lowe Watson to be her principal Private Secretary, and Mr. C. G. Denny to be her assistant Private Secretary.

The Minister of Health, Mr. Arthur Greenwood has appointed Mr. A. Nevill Rucker to be his Private Secretary, and Mr. P. N. R. Butcher to be his assistant Private Secretary.

### RUSSIAN STEAMER HITS MINE.

### FEARED LOSS OF OVER THIRTY LIVES.

Bucharest, July 18.

The Russian steamer "Volga" sent out an S.O.S. message stating that she had struck a floating mine and was sinking.

It is feared that seventeen passengers and 14 members of the crew have been drowned.—*Reuter.*

## ATTEMPT TO SHOOT POLITICIAN.

### LIFE SAVED BY AN ALERT SENTRY.

### ASSAILANT CRAZY?

Vienna, July 18.

The alertness and presence of mind of a sentry at the Government offices to-day probably saved the life of one of the principal figures in the Austrian Government, Dr. Streinowitz, the Chancellor.

Dr. Streinowitz was entering his office this morning when a man on the rooftop raised a revolver and was about to fire when the sentry, with a lightning move, knocked the revolver out of his hand and seized the would-be assassin, placing him under arrest.

Investigations revealed that the man is named Anton Leitner, an unemployed tailor. It is stated that the man is not entirely responsible for his actions and that he has spent some time in a Mental Home at Dueseldorf.

It appears from the culprit's statements that he mistook the Chancellor for the President of the Republic, whom he conceived to be responsible for the unemployment problem in Austria and consequently decided to remove him.—*Reuter.*

### FATHER OF HOUSE OF COMMONS.

### ANNUITY PRESENTED TO MR. T. P. O'CONNOR.

London, July 18.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor, the Father of the House Commons, was the recipient this afternoon of a deed of annuity of a capital value of £10,000, which has been subscribed by his friends and colleagues in both Houses.

The ceremony, which took place on the terrace of the Houses of Parliament, was presided over by the Prime Minister, who made the presentation, and the speakers included Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Birkenhead.

The capital will, upon Mr. O'Connor's death, be used to found a scholarship.

Mr. O'Connor, who has been a member of the House of Commons since 1885, is 81 years old. He is still engaged in journalistic work.—*British Wireless.*

### AMERICAN RAILWAY DISASTER.

### PASSENGER TRAIN CRASHES THROUGH BRIDGE.

Denver, July 18.

Eight persons have been killed and more than twenty injured as the result of a serious accident on the railway near Denver.

A westbound passenger train, for some unknown reason, plunged through a wooden bridge in the early hours of this morning and fell into a raging torrent.

Fortunately there were not many travellers or the loss of life might have been appalling.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### INJURED HOLLYWOOD MAGNATE.

### MR. FOX'S CONDITION SHOWS IMPROVEMENT.

New York, July 18.

The condition of Mr. William Fox, the famous film magnate, who was seriously injured in a motor-car accident yesterday, has markedly improved.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### IRISH DIPLOMATS.

### APPOINTMENTS TO FRANCE AND GERMANY.

London, July 18.

It is officially announced in Dublin that Count Gerald O'Kelly has been appointed Free State Minister to France, and Professor D. A. Blnchy, Free State Minister to Germany.—*Reuter.*

## TRIAL OF INDIAN COMMUNISTS.

### NOISY REOPENING OF MEERUT CASE.

### EVIDENCE SHOWS HOME REDS TO BE INVOLVED.

### CODE LETTERS READ.

Allahabad, July 18.

A renewal of noisy revolutionary cries and the singing of the Communist anthem by the accused, marked the resumption of the Meerut conspiracy trial to-day.

The Magistrate rejected the objections of the counsel for the defence to the jurisdiction of the Court.

Evidence was given of the seizure of a mass of seditious literature and documents at the homes of some of the accused, including a pamphlet exhorting the Communists of India to oppose "Congress and Swarajist" phrases and Gandhi's ideals of passive resistance and to work with irreconcilable strength for the expulsion of the Imperialists from India.—*Reuter.*

#### "Red" Methods.

Startling disclosures of "Red" methods in code letters were made during the continuation of the opening address by the prosecution counsel, Mr. Langford James, recently.

Mr. James said he would deal with Communist tactics and the history of the present conspiracy to-day and show that the tactics advocated by Communists journals and literature, were faithfully carried out by the accused in the furtherance of Communist ideals in India. The Third Internationale was well aware that Nationalists in countries like India and Egypt were composed of just those elements against whom they had to fight, namely the bourgeoisie, but these had decided to exploit them by associating with them and explaining all while that the nationalist ideology was wrong.

#### To Organize Class War.

Mr. James continuing, referred to the tactics used by Communist agitators in order to lead workers and peasants to organize a revolutionary class war. The Public Prosecutor read extensive extracts from official Communist reports. He said: "I should like to say this that it is not necessary in order to constitute an offence under section 121-A nor is it necessary to convict these accused of such offence. To prove that they belong to the Third Internationale we might show that they were carrying out work on these lines at the behest of the Third Internationale. That is quite sufficient. That is not a necessary part of the indictment. They were, in the words of Mr. Spratt on Moscow, read for Moscow reasons and with Moscow ends, and I think that should be quite sufficient for any court of law."

"This conspiracy in India is not by any means confined to India. It has been fomented, directed and financed from outside. Various members of the British Communist party have taken active part in this conspiracy." Mr. James proposed to give a comprehensive list of those who participated in this conspiracy, from outside India, before he finished his address.

#### Communism and Indian Students.

Mr. James continuing, showed by reading letters, which he intended to prove when evidence came to be recorded, written by various Communists, how the British Communist party at behest of the Internationale carried on Communist propaganda among Indian students residing in various British universities in which M. N. Roy, who at that time was entrusted with looking after Communist interests in India, took a prominent part.

Mr. James then read a report by Mr. Gladding, who came to India to survey the position of the Communists in this country under the assumed name of Cochran, from the official report of the proceedings of the International Congress edited by R. W. Robson in which was described the condition of colonial countries.

He then read certain letters alleged to have passed between some prominent Communists, describing the various activities of Upadhyay, Dutt, J. I. Thomas and other members of the British Communist party.

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### COUNCIL MEETING.

#### BROADCASTING, FERRY AND MALARIA.

The Legislative Council sat for an hour and a half yesterday. His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), presided.

The most important questions for consideration related to the water problem and a full report of the discussion is given elsewhere.

Immediately on the Council assembling, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, rose and said:—Sir, I rise to a point of order. Some of my Unofficial colleagues received their first intimation of the holding of the meeting of this Council to-day when they opened their paper yesterday morning and saw that there was to be a meeting this afternoon, and that the important question of water was to be brought forward. That, Sir, is very unsatisfactory, and it is not, as you know, in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Standing Orders. I wish to express the hope that such a procedure will not be followed in future but that if ever there is any reason why it is difficult to send round the full Orders of the Day to members for the full period mentioned in the Standing Orders, that the Clerk of Councils should send out at least to the Unofficial members a notice to the effect that on such a day there will be a meeting of the Legislative Council.

H. E. the Governor.—I regret that there should have been this delay in notifying hon. members of the date of this meeting. I understand that it was due to the fact that the Orders of the Day took an unusually long time in printing. Of course, it is the wish of the Government to give as long notice as possible of all meetings and every care will be taken to do so in future.

#### Vehicular Ferry.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton asked the following questions:

1. Is the Government in a position to inform this Council whether there is a possibility of arrangements being made in the near future for a vehicular ferry across the harbour?

2. Will the Government inform this Council: (a) As to what steps are being taken to establish an effective broadcasting system in this Colony; (b) what will be the effective range of such system when the Government's contemplated scheme is completed; (c) when is it anticipated that such scheme will be in full operation?

3. What steps have been taken during the current year with the object of bringing into operation an effective system for dealing with malaria in this Colony?

The Colonial Secretary replied:—1. The Government has received proposals from certain companies and parties interested in the formation of a vehicular ferry service across the harbour, but no definite arrangements have yet been concluded. The construction of the necessary wharves and ferry-steamers will in any case preclude the possibility of inaugurating such a service in the near future.

#### Broadcasting.

2. The answer to the Honourable Member's question depends upon the meaning which he attaches to the word "effective." The present broadcasting system is effective for about 50 miles and the studio is being furnished out of a vote of \$5,000 authorised on the 21st March last for equipment. The furnishing, when completed, should improve the quality, though not the strength, of the emission.

The Government has approved the appointment of a Committee under the Chairmanship of the Postmaster General to assist in the preparation of broadcasting programmes and the provision of funds for improved programmes will come up for consideration with the Estimates of 1930.

3. If the Honourable Member has in mind an effective range of 400 miles it is estimated that the cost

of establishing a transmitting station of adequate strength for that radius would involve an expenditure of over \$200,000 for buildings and equipment alone. There would in addition be annual charges estimated at not less than \$80,000 a year, exclusive of the cost of the programmes. The Government does not feel justified at the present time in embarking upon this large expenditure.

#### Malaria.

3. As the Honourable Member is aware provision was made both in 1928 and 1929 Estimates for a Malarial Research Officer and the Secretary of State was asked to select an officer to fill this appointment; but in December of last year, having appointed as Director of Medical and Sanitary Services Dr. A. R. Wellington who had had long experience in anti-malarial work, he deferred making an appointment to the vacant post until Dr. Wellington's advice could be obtained. After due consideration Dr. Wellington has recommended that the post be filled by the transfer to this Colony of a Health Officer who has had long experience in Mosquitoology and anti-malarial work together with a Sanitary Inspector similarly qualified. The Secretary of State is being asked if the transfer of suitable officers can be arranged. It will be necessary to increase the amount provided for this Service when the exact terms of transfer are known.

It is intended that these officers shall form the nucleus of an anti-malarial branch of the Medical Department. They will train local recruits and they and their staff will make the detailed household surveys which are a necessary preliminary to any economic and efficient anti-malarial campaign, which has for its basis the destruction of those species of mosquitoes which are active agents in the spread of malaria.

#### Kowloon Tong Estate.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, who had given notice to ask a number of questions relating to the Kowloon Tong Estate, was informed that the replies were not yet ready.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.—Arising out of the Colonial Secretary's reply I should like to bring to your Excellency's notice the urgency of this Kowloon Tong question.

The Colonial Secretary.—On a point of order, Sir, no speeches can be made.

H. E. the Governor.—Only supplementary questions can be asked. I may say that the replies to the hon. member's questions will, it is hoped, be given next week.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.—That is satisfactory, Sir, because the subscribers are threatened with re-entry—one on the 2nd of July.

#### Mercantile Banknotes.

Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.—Your Excellency, I beg to move the first reading of a Bill intituled, "An Ordinance to extend for a further period the powers granted by the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, to the Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd., to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes in the Colony."

As hon. members will see from the statement of Objects and Reasons attached to this Bill, the present power of the Bank to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes in the Colony, which was granted by Ordinance in the year 1911, will expire in the normal course on the 13th August of this year. It is proposed by clause 2 of the Bill to extend that period of expiry till the 12th July, 1930, after which date the Bank will cease to issue or re-issue notes, but shall redeem any notes which it shall have previously issued or re-issued.

Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

The Council adjourned until Thursday next.

### BILL INTRODUCED.

#### TO PREVENT THE WASTE OF WATER.

In order to prevent the waste of water, the Attorney General (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.) yesterday introduced to the Legislative Council a Bill amending the Waterworks Ordinance, 1903. In moving the first-reading he said:

A great deal has been said this afternoon in this Council on the subject of water emergency. I am afraid I shall have to ask the indulgence of the Council while I take up the time of members in explaining this Bill and the proposed regulations. What has been said already on the subject of water has referred mainly to proposed permanent measures. I should like, if I may, to say a very few words on the temporary present condition of affairs. I should like to do so, Sir, because I think a certain number of persons in Hongkong appear to think that the recent rains have so increased our supplies that restrictions may be either taken off altogether or a great deal reduced. It is true we have had rain in the last ten days, but it has ceased for the present and even if it had continued up to the present moment, we would still, I think, be facing the most serious water shortage the Colony has ever had to face. The Hon. Director of Public Works in his statement at the beginning of this meeting, told us that the total increase due to the recent rains is 247 million gallons. At the estimated full consumption, if all restrictions were removed, that would last us only a little over three weeks and we still have nine months or perhaps ten till the next summer rains. I think the community ought to realise that unless our reservoirs are overflowing at the end of the summer, we shall be in a very serious condition again next year unless we have exceptional rainfall.

It is true we still have part of July, August, September and October, but August is only a 15-inch month, September a 16-inch and October a 5-inch, according to the average. Tyram holds 1,419 million gallons. It will require now about 1,200 million gallons to make it overflow. I think if members of the community would realise these facts and grasp what an enormous amount of rain is still required to fill the reservoirs, they would perhaps begin to realise that the recent rains are only a very small alleviation of the position and that the restrictions must still continue. It is, therefore, essential that every step possible should be taken to enforce and encourage economy in the use of water and that policy is desirable especially, I submit, in the interests of those members of the community who are now suffering most from the water shortage.

#### Abolition of Free Water.

This Bill, Sir, is dictated by that consideration. Its main object is to enable the present free allowance of water, as it is called, to be abolished. The effect of the abolition of the free allowance and the imposition of a charge in respect of the free allowance, will be done by regulations to be made when this Bill has been passed, but the Bill is required to prepare the way for these regulations.

The Bill does three main things. In the first place it gives power to make regulations altering the price of water and abolishing the free allowance, to make regulations of that kind with retrospective effect. The intention is to abolish the free allowance for the third quarter of the year which has already commenced. In the second place it is necessary to define what is meant by "quarter," because in reading the meters it is obviously impossible to read all the meters on the first and last days of the calendar quarter so that what is meant by quarter in these regulations is what I call "Meter Readers' Quarter," in other words the period between two successive readings of any particular meter.

In the third place the Ordinance proposes to increase the penalty for water offences—waste of water, pollution of water, allowing near accumulations to collect near reservoirs and so on. I think it will be generally realised that the present penalties are

much too low in many cases and should obviously be increased.

#### Hon. Dr. Tso's Scheme.

One clause of the Bill it is proposed to omit in committee. That is clause 4. It was proposed to alter that clause in a somewhat unimportant detail but it was thought better to preserve it in its present form and I now propose to move the omission of that clause in committee.

There is one provision of the Bill perhaps I should draw attention to, though it is not intended at the moment to act under it. If hon. members will look at clause 6, paragraph (b) they will find there some words which, when inserted in their proper place in the principal Ordinance, will give power to make regulations to carry out the scheme which is in contemplation which, if I may be allowed to mention his name, the Hon. Dr. Tso has taken great pains to work out, by which the supply given from street fountains will be regulated and restricted. The intention, I gather, is to assign particular blocks of houses to particular street fountains, to prevent what I might call poaching by people from outside and also if possible to ration the supply and see that people assigned to a fountain get their proper share. It is not intended to make any regulations for the moment under this provision, because regulations have already been made this morning under another enactment dealing with that scheme and these regulations will appear in the Gazette to-morrow. It has been thought better to insert this power in the principal Ordinance in case some other crisis which we hope may never arise should make desirable the making of regulations of the same kind on some future occasions.

#### Lucky Kowloon.

I think, Sir, I ought to refer shortly to one or two points in the proposed regulations which were published with the Bill in the Gazette Extraordinary on the 10th of July. The first regulation rescinds the present regulations 1 and the Waterworks regulations and substitutes another which contains in its various clauses a complete provision for the price of the water supply to various parts of the Colony and for various purposes. It will be seen that while the free allowance, as is called, is abolished on the Island, with the exception of one or two small places, so that all water supplied by meter will be paid for, that free allowance has not been abolished in Kowloon. The reason for that is that there is sufficient water in Kowloon now to make any such measure unnecessary. As the Director of Public Works has stated the Shing Mun River is now delivering sufficient water to make Kowloon independent of its reservoir supplies for some time. It may, of course, be necessary later on if we are unfortunate, to abolish the free allowance in Kowloon also but at present it is considered unnecessary. This new regulation 1, altering the price of water and abolishing the free allowance on the Island, is expressly made to apply only to the current third quarter of this year so that the whole position will have to be reconsidered towards the end of the quarter. In addition to the regulations published in the Gazette of the 16th July, it is now proposed to enact another regulation dealing with the question of waste as follows: "No person shall wilfully waste or negligently misuse or waste, or cause or allow to be misused or wasted, any water taken from a public fountain or public tank." The maximum penalty for a breach of that regulation will be \$250.

With regard to the proposal to increase the price of water supplied by meter for building purposes from \$1 per 1,000 gallons to \$2 per 1,000 gallons, the intention is as is the intention of the whole of this legislation, to prevent waste. It is found, unfortunately, that building contractors' men leave taps running and waste water. Waste is a crime at the present day and it is hoped that this increased price of water supplied for building purposes may make persons in charge of work more careful to ensure that waste should be checked. The whole object of this legislation is, of course, not revenue but to prevent waste in a time of very serious shortage. I beg to move the first reading.

The Council Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.



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HARDLY  
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CAN USE  
HIM—

SAY, YOU'RE A  
SICKEN HOWDY!  
I THOUGHT YA  
SAID  
YOU WERE A BALL  
PLAYER!

DON'T GET  
RICKY WITH  
ME, EPPA!  
I AM A BALL  
PLAYER!

NO KIDDIN'—WHY, I'LL BET YA  
DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT A FOUL  
BALL IS, SAM!

OH, DON'T I? IT'S A GUY  
BY THE NAME OF GAZZLE—  
I WORKED FOR HIM FOR  
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THE NEXT ONE  
Y'ALL CHASE  
YOURSELF, HOWDY.

WELL, TA CUT OUT TH' FOOLIN'—WHY  
DON'TCHA JOIN UP WITH TH' YANKEES?  
THERE'S YOUR BEST CHANCE!

GOSH!!!  
DO YA REALLY  
THINK SO?

SURE! THEY DON'T  
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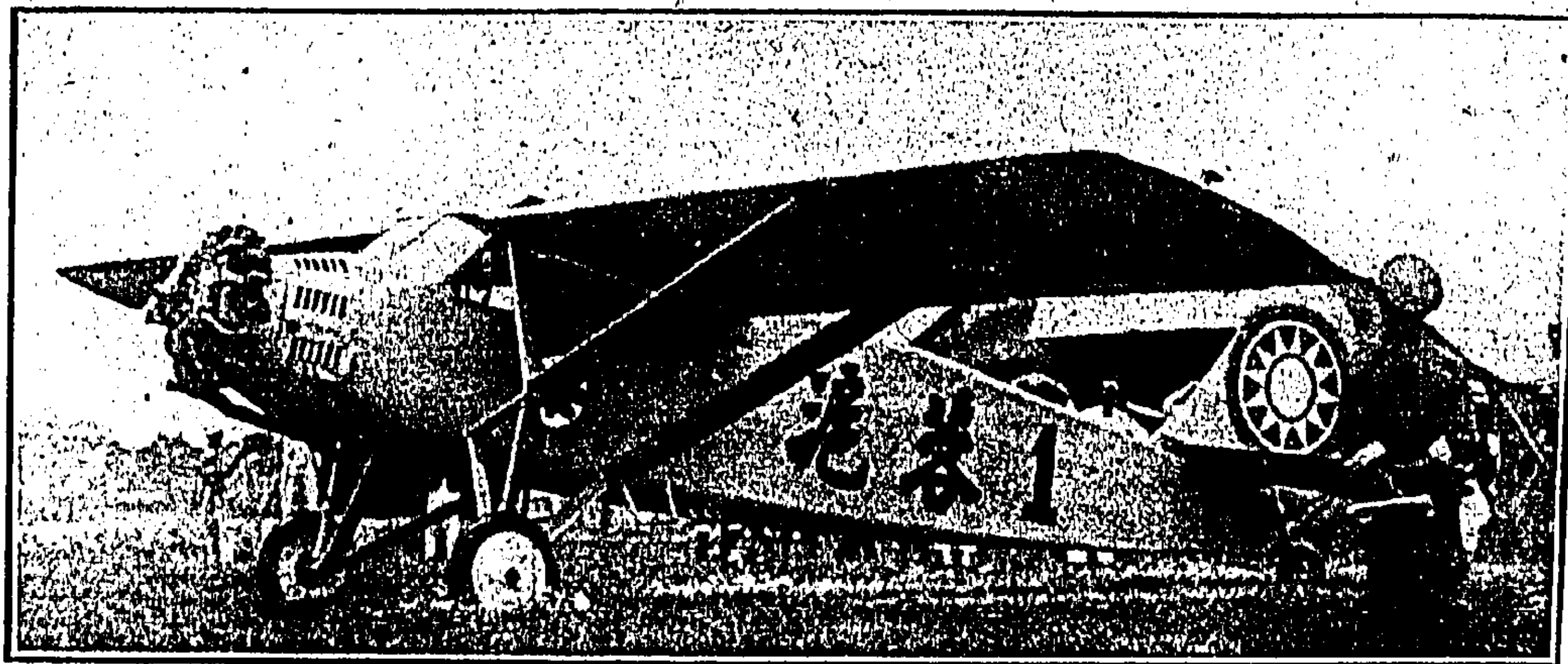
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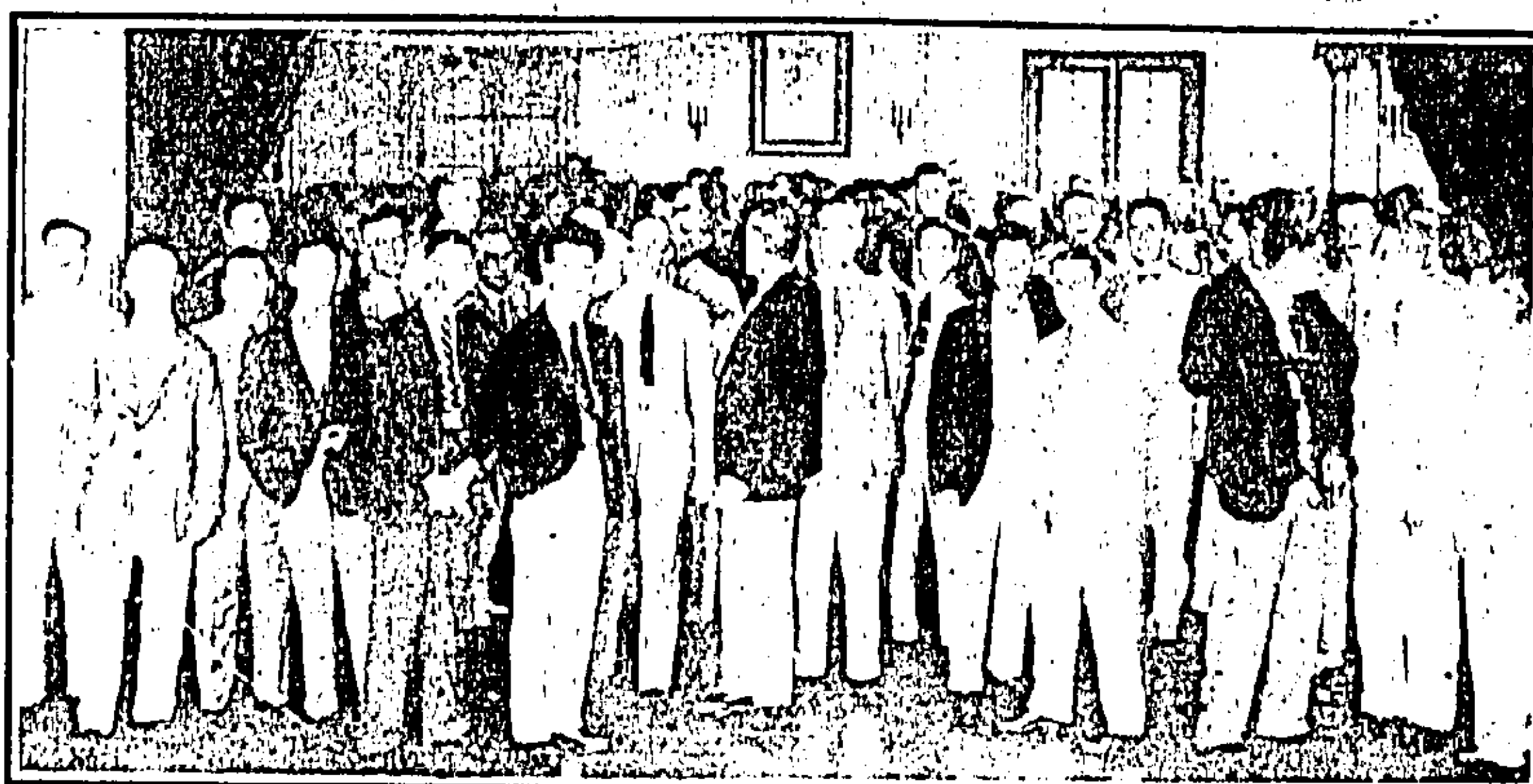
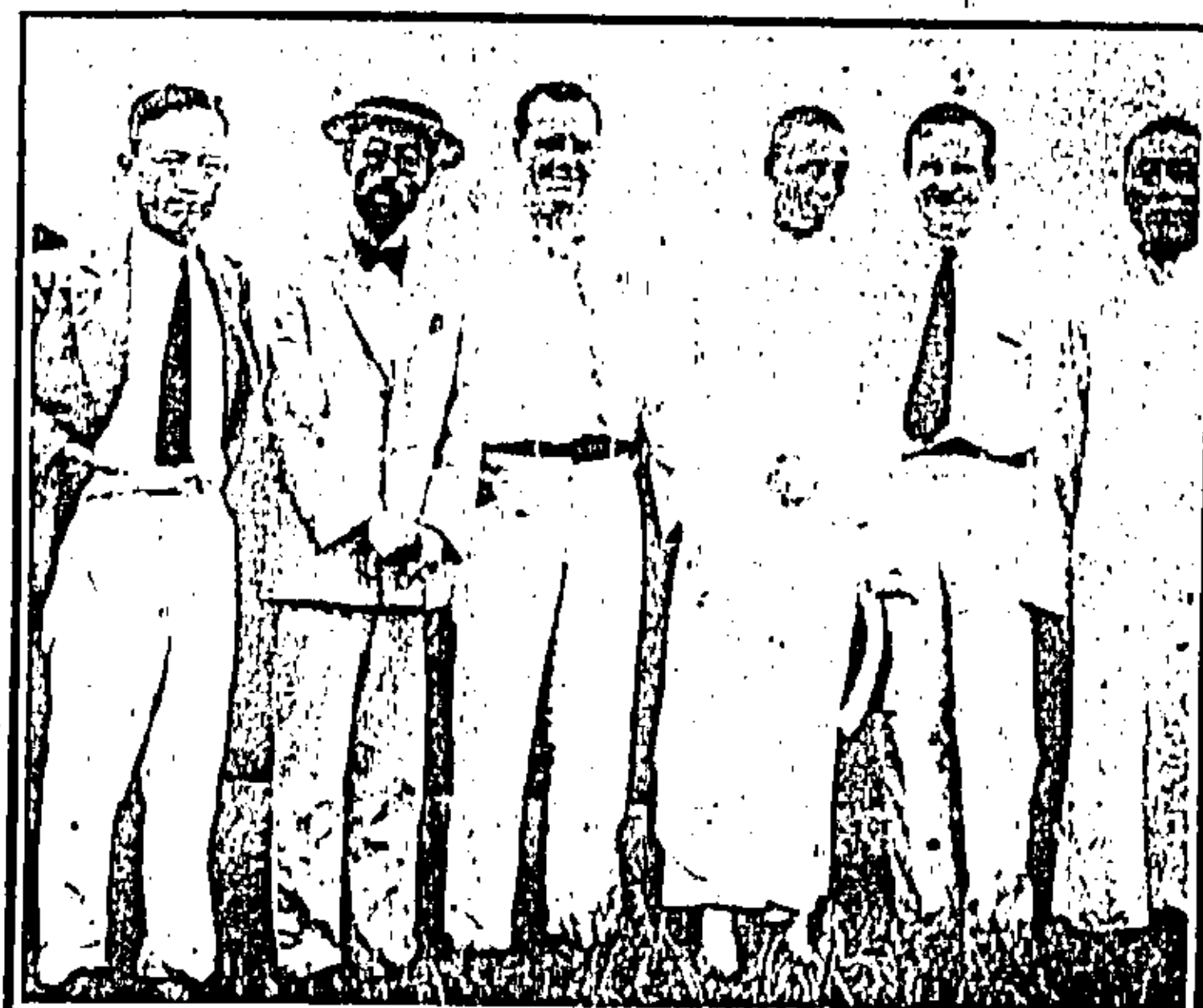




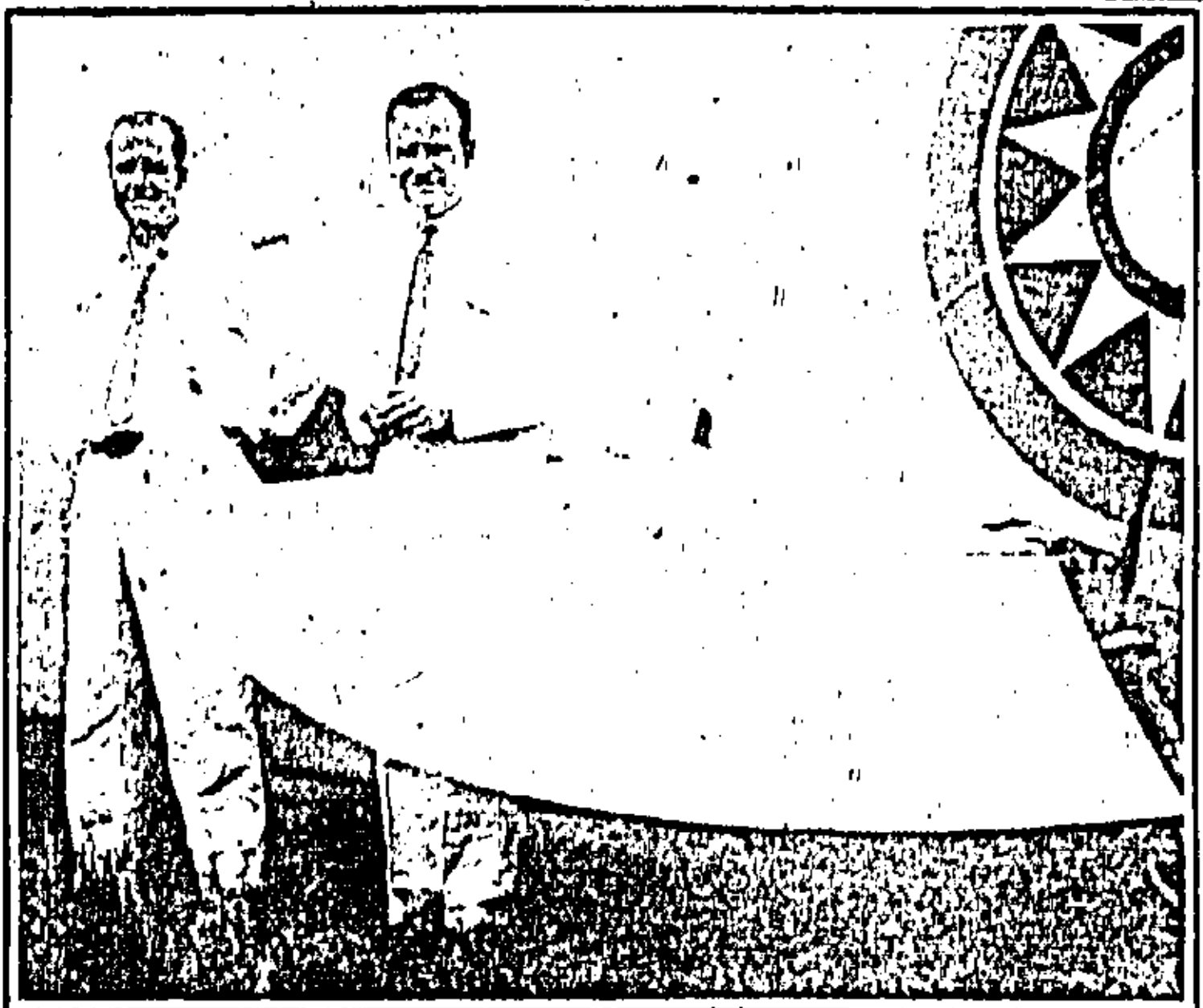
China made a great advance recently when the first air-mail between Shanghai and Nanking was inaugurated, and a considerable quantity of mail was carried. Our picture shows the great Stinson-Detroiter machine taking off at Hungjiao aerodrome for Nanking, with Captain Henderson at the controls.



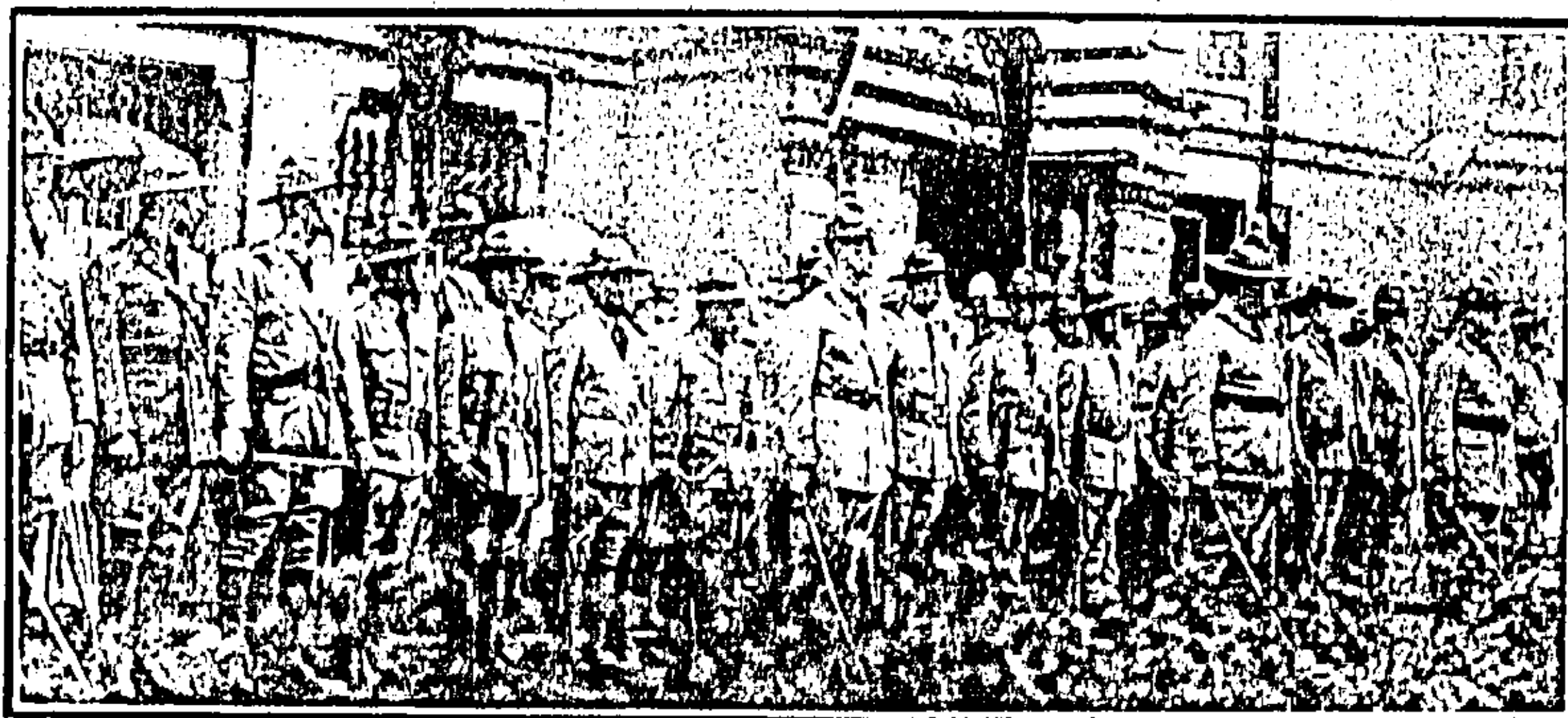
The Duchess of Bedford who contemplates another flight to India. She is over 60.



Members of the American Club, Shanghai, were hosts to their friends on July 4th, Independence Day in accordance with custom. Above is a general view of the gathering.



Pilots and officials at the inauguration of the Shanghai-Nanking air mail service. At the top are seen Mr. W. W. Ritchie, Postal Commissioner, Mr. K. T. Nish and Mr. Liu Shu-fan. At the bottom are Captains Henderson and Machlo, co-pilots.



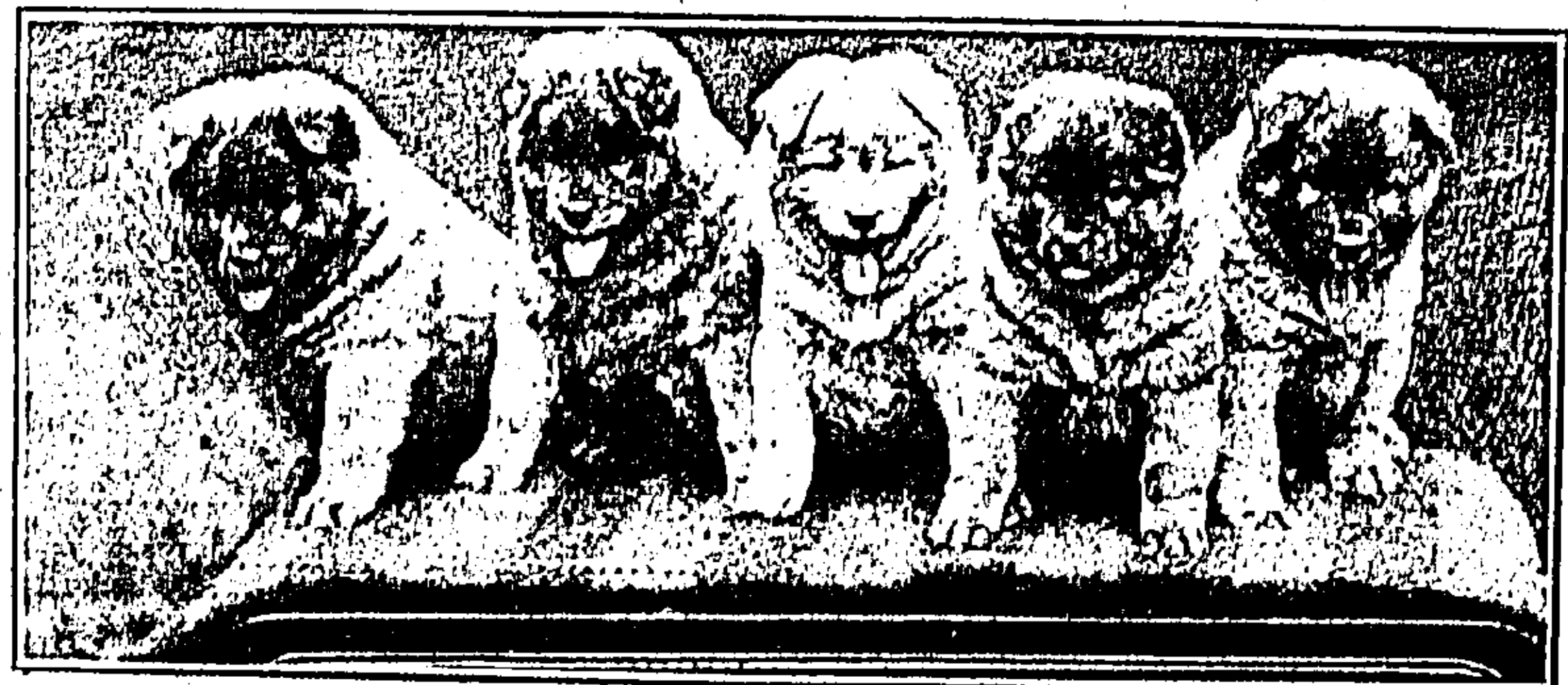
Members of the American Company of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, who took part in the impressive early morning ceremony on July 4 in the grounds of the American Consulate.



Miss Emma Leonora Bernard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Bernard, became the wife of Mr. Wilmot Henry Owen, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Owens of Sumter, South Carolina, at a pretty wedding at the Community Church, Shanghai, on July 2.



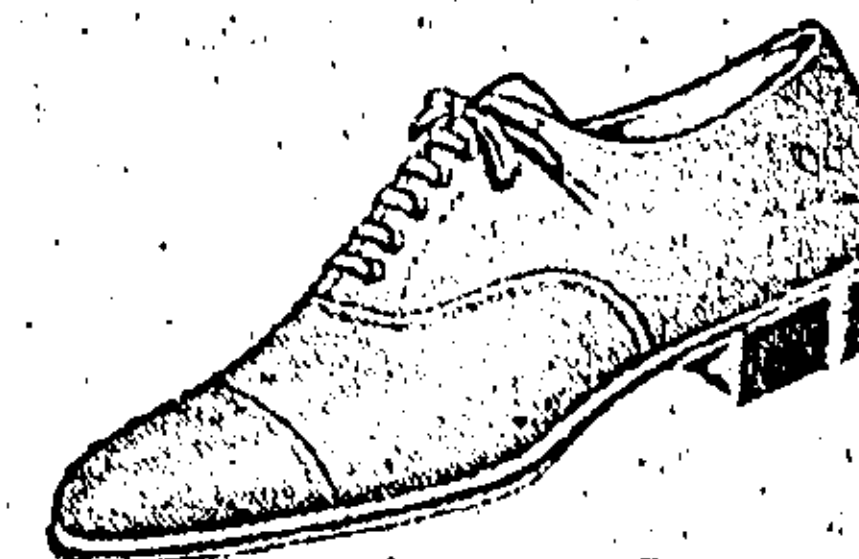
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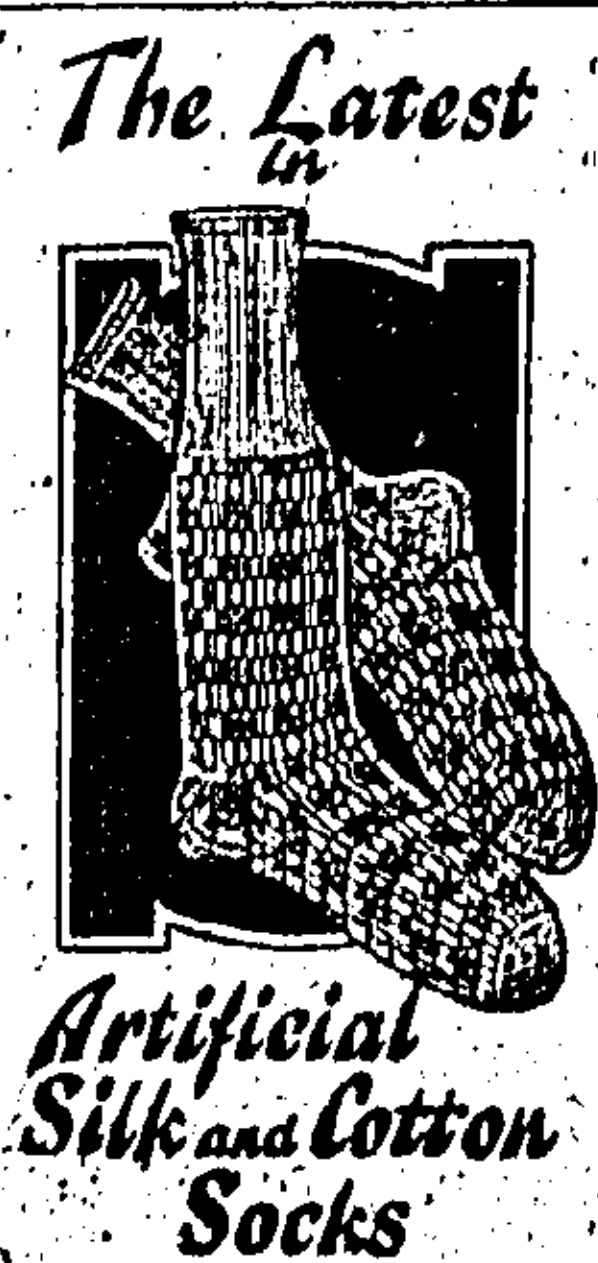
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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 20th July to THURSDAY, the 1st August (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
L. S. GREENHILL,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 16th July, 1929.

## RADIO BROADCAST.

THE LOCAL PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

The following programme will be broadcast from the Government Station Z.B.W. to-day on a wavelength of 350 metres.

1.48 p.m. Weather report.  
5.30-6.30 p.m. Programme of Chinese Music (Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Tich Sau Tong).

7.48 p.m. Evening weather report.  
8 p.m. Evening Programme, (Victor and H. M. V. Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co., Ltd.).

"The Emerald Isle," Selection.  
(The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards).

"Bedouin Love Song," (Piscuit).  
"The Bandolero," (Stuart).

Bass-Baritone, (Peter Dawson).  
"Peer Gynt Suite No. 2," (Grieg).

(Victor Symphony Orchestra).  
"Take a Look at Mine,"  
"Reviews."

Comedienne, (Gracie Fields).  
"The Singing Fool," Selection.  
(De Groot and His Orchestra).

"Love's Garden of Roses,"  
"Chanson," (in Love),  
Organ Solo, (Reginald Foort).

"Molly on the Shore,"  
"Shepherd's Hey,"  
(Royal Orchestra Opera, Covent Garden).

"When the Sergeant-Major's on Parade,"  
"The Boys of the Old Brigade,"  
Bass-Baritone, (Peter Dawson).

"Wake up and Dream," Selection.  
"New Moon," Selection.  
(New Mayfair Orchestra).

"Prophecies," (Harry Taylor).  
"I'm Blue," (Harry Taylor).  
Humorous, (Norman Long).

"Petite Suite De Concert,"  
(De Groot and the Piccadilly Orch.).  
"When My Dreams Come True,"  
"Just Another Kiss,"  
Tenor, (Franklyn Baird).

"Chinese Lullaby,"  
"Pearl O' Mine,"  
(Victor Salon Orchestra).

"I Lift My Finger and Say,"  
"Sweet, Sweet,"  
"She's Funny that Way,"  
Comedienne, (Gracie Fields).

"My Angel," (Rapee).  
"Wings," (Zamrenik).  
"De Groot and the Piccadilly Orch.).  
"Ballad Egyptian Suite," (Luigini).  
(Victor Concert Orchestra).  
10.30 p.m. Close down.

## Lammert's Auctions

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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On View from Friday, the 19th July, 1929.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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At No. 10, Carnarvon Building, Kowloon.

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Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

On View from Sunday, the 21st July, 1929.

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The Undersigned have received instructions from The Special Manager, The Instone Banking Corporation, Ltd. (in Liquidation), to sell by Public Auction

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## SHARE PRICES

## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

## Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1265 sa.  
Chartered Bank, \$193 b.  
Moroantile A. & B., \$33 n.  
P. and O. \$24 n.  
East Asia \$904 n.

## Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$630 n.  
Union Ins., \$324 n.  
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.  
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.  
China Underwriters, \$120 s.  
China Fires, \$305 b.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$770 n.

## Shipping.

Douglases, \$271 n.  
H. K. Steamboats, \$25 s.  
H. K. Tugs, \$2 s.  
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$70 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$22 n.

## Mining.

Benguets, \$3.05 b.  
Kailans, 63/3 n.  
Langkats, Tls. 141 b.  
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.75 s.  
Raubs, \$6.90 b.  
Tronohs, 21/- n.

## Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$1254 b.  
Whampoa Docks, \$35 s.  
China Providents \$4.30 sa.  
Hongkows, Tls. 168 n.  
New Engineerings, Tls. 64 b.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 138 b.

## Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.40 s.  
Orientals, Tls. 2.30 b.  
Shai Cottons, Tls. 774 (old) b.

## Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$8.55 n.  
H. K. Lands, \$61 b.  
Shai Lands Tls. 147 b.  
Humphreys, \$13 b.  
Realities, \$8 b.

## Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$19. n.  
Peak Trams, (old) \$11.80 n.  
Star Ferries, \$644 n.  
China Lights, (Old) \$13.50 s.  
H. K. Electric, \$554 b.  
Macao Electric, \$261 n.  
Telephones \$7. b.  
China Buses, Tls. 142. b.  
Singapore Tractions, 11/- s.

## Industrials.

China Sugars, \$90 b.  
Malabons, \$27 n.  
Canton Icos, \$2.10 b.  
Cements (Comb.) \$9.20 s.  
Ropes (Old) \$7. s.  
United Asbestos \$5 b.

## Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$19.50 b.  
Watsons, \$11.90 b.  
Der A. Wings, \$80 b.  
Lane Crawfords, \$12 s.  
Mackintosh, \$18 b.  
Sincors, \$12 b.

## Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$284 n.  
Constructions, \$150 n.  
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 644  
H. K. G. Loan 7% s. Prem.

## PEER'S NEPHEW AS FACTORY HAND.

## NOVEL BASED ON HIS EXPERIENCES.

The romantic career of an author has just come to light in the disclosure that "Henry Green," who wrote "Blindness" and "Living," is the pseudonym of Mr. Henry V. Yorke.

Mr. Yorke, a nephew of Lord Leconfield and a great nephew of the late Earl of Rosebery, is to marry, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on July 25, the Hon. Adelaide Mary, daughter of Lord Biddulph, an old friend of his parents.

Mr. Yorke's second novel, just published, deals with factory and slum life, and is based upon his own experience in British workshops and their surroundings.

He told an interviewer that the greater part of his first novel was written whilst he was at Eton. At Oxford he became bored, and went to a big Birmingham works as an ordinary "hand."

"At first I was a sort of store-keeper, then I passed on to be a pattern maker, later I became a moulder, and finally I was in the copper shops for about six months. Now I am in London, engaged in the business side of the firm."

"I was treated exactly like the other factory employees. At first I was paid £4 a week, and at the end of three years I rose to 30s."

Mr. Yorke's father is chairman of the Mexican Railway, and thoroughly approved of his son "going through it."

## POST OFFICE NOTICE

## RADIO NOTICES.

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless services may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of the P. and O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

On Radio telegrams to the Kwangai Stations at Nanning and Luichow a fee of \$0.20 per word will be collected from the senders—this sum includes the receiving station's charge. On messages to Wuchow the charge will be \$0.10 per word—the addressee to pay the receiving station charge.

It is hereby notified that Radiotelegrams are accepted at Hongkong for transmission direct to Canton and Shanghai and to certain inland towns in China via these stations at the following rates per word:—

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The above rates include toll due to the receiving stations. The Public are again reminded that the postage on newspapers published in Hongkong and addressed to British Possessions, China and Macao is 2 cents per 4 ozs. and not 2 cents per newspaper. When the postage is not fully prepaid newspapers cannot be forwarded and if they do not bear the senders' names and addresses they are disposed of in the Dead Letter Office.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

## INWARD MAILS.

| From                                                                                             | Per             | Due       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Sandakan                                                                                         | Norviker        | July 19.  |
| U.S.A. (Seattle 20th June), Canada, Japan and Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 20th June) | Pres. Jefferson | July 20.  |
| Shanghai                                                                                         | Allport         | July 20.  |
| Calcutta and Straits                                                                             | Takliwa         | July 20.  |
| Straits                                                                                          | Hakusan Maru    | July 21.  |
| Manila                                                                                           | Pres. McKinley  | July 22.  |
| Canada, (Victoria B. C. 4th July)                                                                | Emp. of France  | July 22.  |
| U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai                                                                       | Aki Maru        | July 23.  |
| Japan                                                                                            | Nam Sang        | July 23.  |
| Calcutta and Straits                                                                             | Tilawa          | July 23.  |
| Amoy                                                                                             | Suwa Maru       | July 26.  |
| Japan and Shanghai                                                                               | Pres. Monroe    | July 27.  |
| U.S.A., (San Francisco 28th June)                                                                | Porthos         | July 30.  |
| Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai                                                                     | Tanda           | August 5. |

## OUTWARD MAILS.

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| Formosa                                                                                                          | Havana                             | Fri., July 19, 3.30 p.m.  |
| Sam Shui and Wuchow                                                                                              | Tai Ming                           | Fri., July 19, 4.30 p.m.  |
| Shanghai                                                                                                         | Philippines                        | Fri., July 19, 5 p.m.     |
|                                                                                                                  | Registration                       | 5 p.m.                    |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 6 p.m.                    |
| Tourane                                                                                                          | Chungkong                          | Fri., July 19, 5 p.m.     |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles                  | Khiva                              | Sat., July 20             |
|                                                                                                                  | K.P.O.                             |                           |
|                                                                                                                  | Parcels                            | July 19, 4.00 p.m.        |
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|                                                                                                                  | (Due Marseilles 17th August.)      |                           |
| Straits and Calcutta                                                                                             | Hosang                             | Sat., July 20, 5 p.m.     |
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|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 6 p.m.                    |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa                                                              | Allport                            | Sat., July 20, 3 p.m.     |
| Manila                                                                                                           | Pres. Jefferson                    | Sat., July 20, 4.30 p.m.  |
| Amoy                                                                                                             | Kiungchow                          | Sat., July 20, 5 p.m.     |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa                                                                                         | Canton Maru                        | Sun., July 21, 9 a.m.     |
| Hangkok via Swatow                                                                                               | Kalgan                             | Sun., July 21, 9 a.m.     |
| Amoy                                                                                                             | Kanchow                            | Sun., July 21, 9 a.m.     |
| Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia                                                                           | Hakusan Maru                       | Mon., July 22, 10.30 a.m. |
| Sandakan                                                                                                         | Hinsang                            | Mon., July 22, 1.30 p.m.  |
| Swatow                                                                                                           | Hydrangea                          | Mon., July 22, 2.30 p.m.  |
| Wei Hai Wei via Swatow                                                                                           | Kiuchow                            | Mon., July 22, 3.30 p.m.  |
| Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B. C.                         | Parcels                            | July 22, 5 p.m.           |
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|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 5 p.m.                    |
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| Swatow, Amoy and Poochow                                                                                         | Haiyang                            | Tues., July 23, 1 p.m.    |
| Rabaul                                                                                                           | Bremerhaven                        | Tues., July 23, 2.30 p.m. |
| Manila                                                                                                           | Emp. of France                     | Tues., July 23, 3.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. and S. America and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia | Siberia Maru                       | Tues., July 23.           |
|                                                                                                                  | Registration                       | 5 p.m.                    |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 6 p.m.                    |
|                                                                                                                  | (Due San Francisco August 16.)     |                           |
| Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island                                                            | Aki Maru                           | Wed., July 24.            |
|                                                                                                                  | Registration                       | July 23, 5 p.m.           |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 24th, 8.30 a.m.           |
|                                                                                                                  | (Due Thursday Island, 5th August.) |                           |
| Amoy and Japan                                                                                                   | Kwai Sang                          | Wed., July 24, 10.30 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Poochow                                                                                         | Haiching                           | Fri., July 26, 1 p.m.     |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles                  | Suwa Maru                          | Sat., July 27.            |
|                                                                                                                  | K.P.O.                             |                           |
|                                                                                                                  | Registration                       | July 26, 4.30 p.m.        |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 27th 9 a.m.               |
|                                                                                                                  | G.P.O.                             |                           |
|                                                                                                                  | Registration                       | 27th 8.45 a.m.            |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 27th 9.30 a.m.            |
|                                                                                                                  | (Due Marseilles 26th August.)      |                           |
| Manila                                                                                                           | Pres. Monroe                       | Sat., July 27, 5 p.m.     |
| Shanghai                                                                                                         | Mishima Maru                       | Mon., July 29, 8.30 a.m.  |
| Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles          | Porthos                            | Tues., July 30.           |
|                                                                                                                  | K.P.O.                             |                           |
|                                                                                                                  | Registration                       | 1 p.m.                    |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 1 p.m.                    |
|                                                                                                                  | G.P.O.                             |                           |
|                                                                                                                  | Registration                       | 1.45 p.m.                 |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 2.30 p.m.                 |
|                                                                                                                  | (Due Marseilles August 31.)        |                           |
| Straits and Calcutta                                                                                             | Kutang                             | Wed., July 31.            |
|                                                                                                                  | Parcels                            | Noon.                     |
|                                                                                                                  | Letters                            | 1 p.m.                    |
| Swatow                                                                                                           | Pooching                           | Wed., July 31, 10.30 a.m. |

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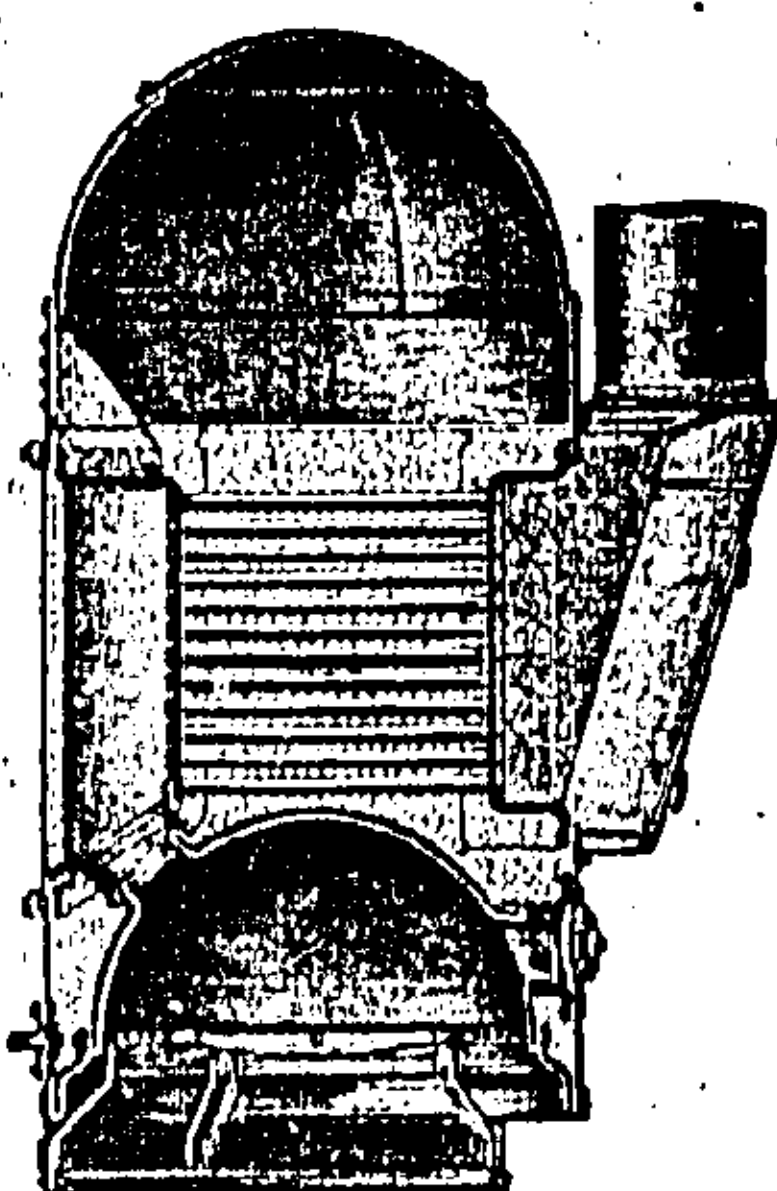
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## THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING  
WEEK.

No. 29/29. Hongkong Volunteer  
Defence Corps orders by Lieut.  
Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E.,  
Commandant.

Hongkong, July 19.  
There will be a meeting of the Band  
Concert Sub-Committee on Monday,  
22nd July at 5.45 p.m. at Corps Head-  
quarters.

There will be a meeting of the  
Sports Sub-Committee on Monday,  
29th July at 5.45 p.m. at Corps Head-  
quarters.

A meeting of the Swimming Gala  
Sub-Committee was held on Monday,  
15th July at Corps Headquarters.  
The following were present: Major  
S. J. Jordan, M.C., C.S.M., G.T. Pad-  
gett (Corps Signals), A/C.Q.M.S.  
C.S. Coom (Engineer Company),  
A/C.S.M. A.W. Brown (Scottish Com-  
pany), 2/Lieut. D.M. Richards (Gen-  
eral Sports Treasurer), Corpl. S.D.  
Iggleston, M.M. (Secretary Swim-  
ming Gala), L/Cpl. A.E. Carvalho  
(Portuguese Company).

The next meeting will be held at  
5.45 p.m. on Wednesday, 24th July.  
All Company representatives are  
requested to attend.

## 2. Corps Band.

There will be a full band practice  
on Tuesday, 23rd July at 5.30 p.m. at  
Corps Headquarters, dress mufi.  
3. Mounted Infantry Company.  
Thursday, 26th July, 1929. Parade  
at Riding School at 5.30 p.m.

4. Scottish Company.  
Pipe Band. The Pipes and Drums  
will parade at Corps Headquarters  
at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 24th July  
for practice.

## SCHOOL OF HYGIENE.

NEW BUILDING OPENED BY  
THE PRINCE OF WALES.

London, July 18.

The Prince of Wales has opened  
the palatial building of the new  
School of Hygiene and Tropical  
Medicine near the British  
Museum.

It cost half a million pounds  
sterling, this being largely defrayed  
by the Rockefeller Foundation.

—Reuter.

## 5. Strength.

The following recruit has been  
taken on the strength and posted as  
under:  
No. 1487 Pte. H. A. V. Ribeiro, No.  
12 Platoon, as from 10.7.29.

## 6. Promotions.

The following promotions take  
effect from 9.7.29.

## The Battery.

No. 1274 B.Q.M.S. E.P. Streetfield,  
to be B. S. M.

No. 803 Bdr. J.P.A. Davis, to be  
B. Q. M. S.

No. 427 L/Sgt. G. Panchon, to be  
Sergeant.

## 7. Transfer.

No. 1253 Pte. I. H. C. Highet is  
transferred from the Mounted In-  
fantry Company to The Battery, as  
from 1.7.29.

## 8. Leave.

No. 1380 Pte. J. L. Litton, No. 2  
Platoon, from 1.8.29. to 31.10.29.  
R. A. WOLFE MURRAY, MAJOR,  
ADJUTANT, H. K. V. D. CORPS.

## WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

The Latest in Bathing Costumes.



The little brown leafy figured silk suit seen on the left features a skirt with godets, a waistline sash and a little beige yoke ending in double bows. In the centre is pictured a striking white ensemble with scarlet lattice work on the swimming costume and edging the unusual cape. On the left is a quilted yellow flowered calico skirt over a suntan back yellow bathing suit, with matching calico mules and parasol, trimmed in green taffeta, which completes the ensemble.

## Beautiful Clothes.

## THE VOGUE OF BLACK.

The frocks that were shown re-  
cently by the mannequins of the  
Rue de la Paix, were all long  
behind, low in the back, without  
revealing as much as an ankle, let  
alone a knee.

A brunette wore pale green  
tulle; a blonde, white georgette  
with a long side drapey decorated  
at the hem with a ruffled georgette  
poppy, white also.

A woman with pale gold hair  
wore rust-red georgette, "neckless  
bodice, and dipping draperies to  
the ankles, with not a jewel.

Another had an over-plentiful  
ensemble of dress and coat and  
turban in gold and silver sequin  
and tulle.

Very fair looked a girl in poppy  
red tulle with masses of pearls.

## Happy Ensembles.

But of all, the women in black,  
with pearls and diamonds, looked  
best. Their dresses made such  
perfect backgrounds to their  
jewels and their make-up.

Black net and silver—silver  
girdle with one long end and a  
tassel, silver shoes, and one silver  
shoulder strap, the other black.

Black with jade green—a black  
net dress with a long heavy chain  
of jade beads, irregularly cut,  
slung from the shoulders, twisted  
once round the throat, jade  
bangles, a pair of green shoes, and  
a big green feather fan.

Black and coral—black lace with  
coral belt across the back of the  
waist-line, or the front, coral ear-  
rings, pendant, bracelets and shoe  
buttons.

Black chiffon with diamonds, or  
black georgette with pearls,  
always look right if the line of the

## Today's Recipe.

STRAWBERRY BAVARIAN  
CREAM.

One and one-half tablespoons  
gelatine, 1/2 cup cold water, 2 eggs;  
1 cup sugar, 1 cup strained straw-  
berry pulp, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 cup  
whipping cream.

Soften gelatine in cold water for  
five minutes. Beat egg yolks  
with sugar and add strawberry  
pulp and juice. Dissolve gelatine  
over hot water and add to first  
mixture. Cook over hot water  
until mixture begins to thicken.

Remove at once from heat and  
cool. Add whites of eggs beaten  
until stiff and cream whipped  
until firm with salt. Turn into a  
mold garnished with whole straw-  
berries and put on ice to chill,  
and become firm.

dress is graceful and not skimpy,  
and the complexion sufficiently  
beautiful, either by nature or art.

## Belts.

Belts are not so much worn in  
the evening as they were. The  
princess fitting bodice or the fit-  
ting bodice of the picture dress  
have done away with them.

Scarves are not so much worn  
either, and the popularity of the  
little coat is waning.

All the draperies go into the  
skirts.

Bodice and shoulders are sever-  
ely simple except for jewels.

Flat chests are still in fashion,  
but rumour says that the style is  
passing.

## Wraps.

Black velvet cloaks with flat  
founces, tier on tier, and dipping

## Attractive Trifles.

## FOR VARYING MOODS.

It is always asserted that  
modern woman does not know how  
to use a fan, which is probably  
true, since she is no longer coy.  
But designers are evidently taking  
encouragement from longer hair  
and longer skirts, and a new fan  
has made its bow. Created in  
Paris, it is in the form of a wheel.

It opens to make a complete circle  
of ostrich feathers, the sticks of  
the fan making the spokes of the  
wheel.

Another coy novelty is a tiny  
umbrella about the size of those  
bewitching little sunshades we  
associate with crinoline days.

The umbrella is just large enough  
to prevent the rain from beating  
on the face, and is part of a wet  
weather ensemble which consists  
of coat, hat and scarf. It has a  
crook handle, which is correspond-  
ingly dumpy to the size of the  
cover.

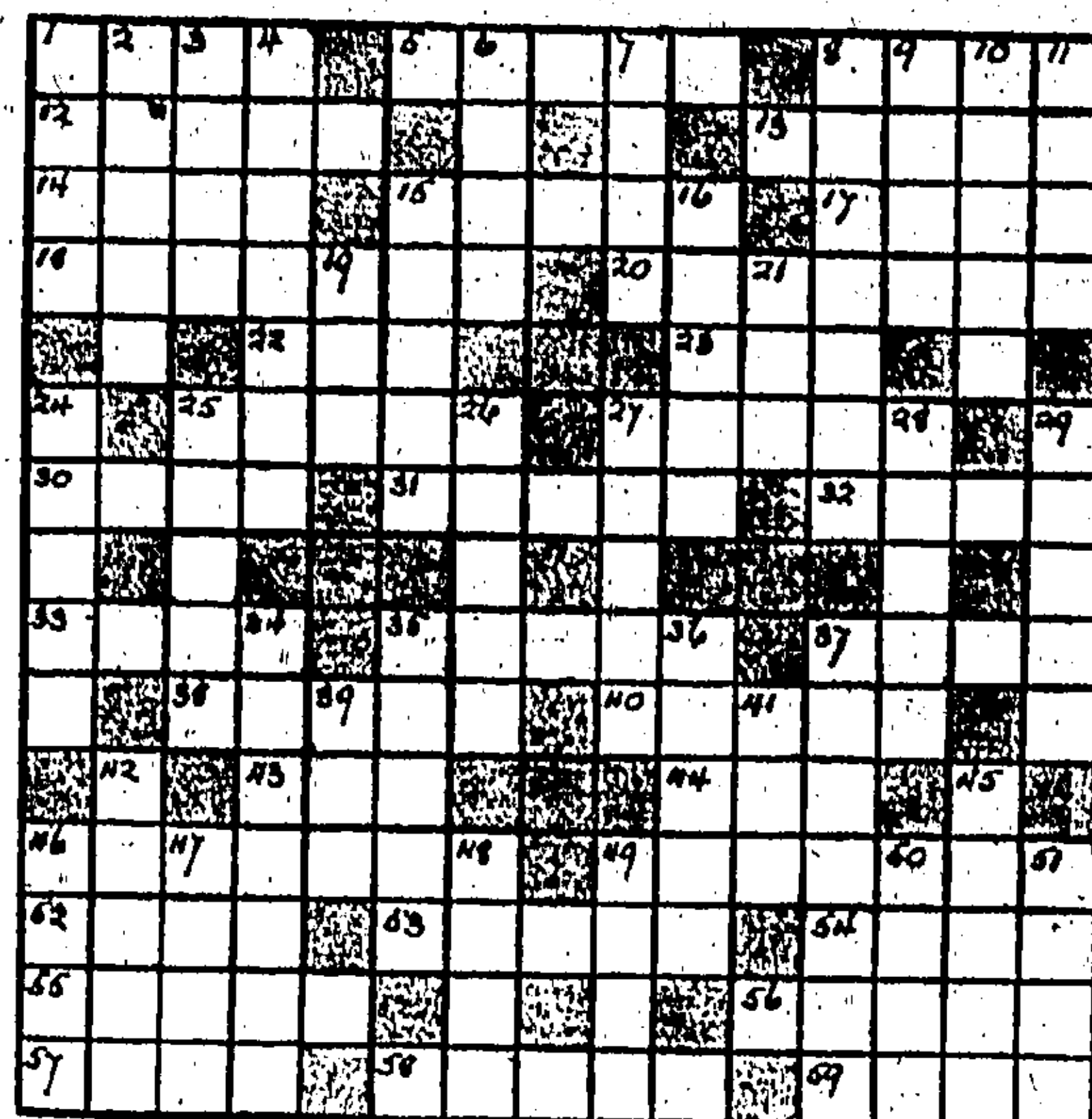
behind, are lovely. They go over  
black, white and coloured dresses  
tastefully and gracefully.

Gold lame brocade with sable  
is made into straight wraps with  
a hood.

Soft dull satin is also used, but  
velvet, alone or with fur or a  
collar of flowers, is the favourite  
material of the year.

For the evening as for the day,  
the accessories are of primary im-  
portance: the bag, shoes, the hand-  
kerchief, the stockings, the  
lingerie are expected to be all of  
a piece with the dress and wrap.

## OUR NEW BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



## Across

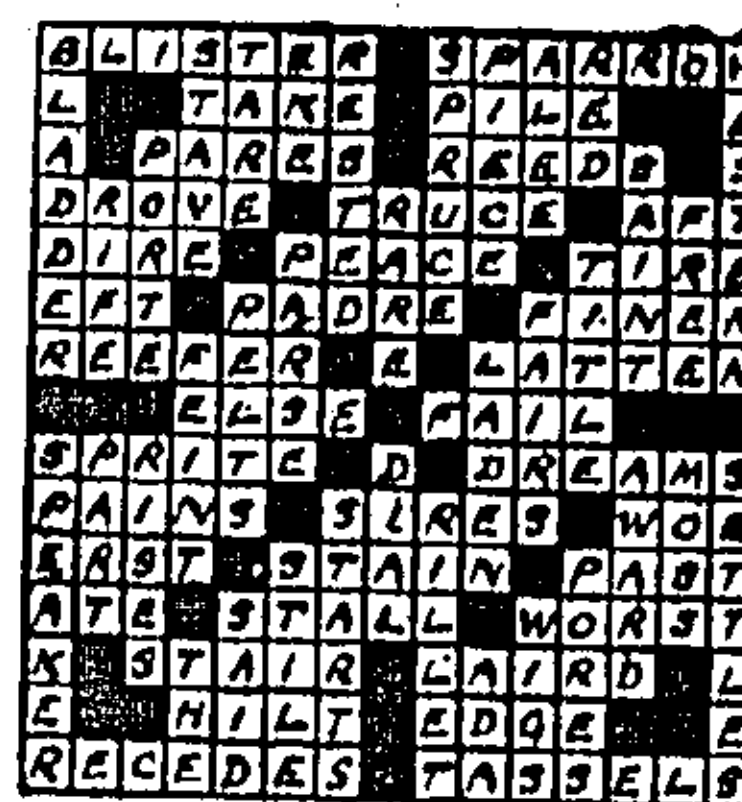
- 1 Imbibes.
- 5 Soils.
- 6 Cannanito god.
- 12 Veracity.
- 13 One who marries.
- 14 Fabulous monster.
- 15 Jeweller's weight.
- 17 Metal.
- 18 Web footed bird.
- 20 Sufferers for their beliefs.
- 22 Flee.
- 23 Small bed.
- 25 Depository.
- 26 Move side foremost.
- 30 Frame of mind.
- 31 Follows day.
- 32 Place of leaving.
- 33 Fastened.
- 35 Sword.
- 37 Kill.
- 38 Number.
- 40 The best.
- 43 Wrong-doing.
- 44 Part of the verb "to be."
- 46 Taunt.
- 48 Everlasting.
- 52 Hint.
- 53 Card game.
- 54 Job.
- 55 Employing.
- 56 Stuck.
- 57 Look after.
- 58 Occasion of festivity.
- 59 Completes.

## Down

- 1 Arrest.
- 2 Importuned.
- 3 Embroidered border.
- 4 Guided.
- 6 Thin.
- 7 Quantity of paper.
- 8 Fragile.
- 9 Breezy.

- 10 Love ardently.
- 11 Transparent substance.
- 15 Ecclesiastical dignitary.
- 16 Silent.
- 19 Drinking vessel.
- 21 Pole.
- 24 Farrier.
- 25 Sleeps.
- 26 Poetical for the sun.
- 27 Trop.
- 28 Banishment.
- 29 Tarrics.
- 34 Go down.
- 35 Moral perception.
- 36 Exalt.
- 37 Barren.
- 39 By way of.
- 41 Anger.
- 42 Spurious.
- 45 Matched.
- 46 Short tail.
- 47 Devastation.
- 48 Silent.
- 49 Goes astray.
- 50 Grammatical term.
- 51 Boys.

## Yesterday's Solution.

CHAIN OF MUNICIPAL  
AERODROMES.40 SITES APPROVED BY AIR  
MINISTRY.

So great has been the response  
to the recent request by the Air  
Ministry for the establishment of  
municipal aerodromes, that al-  
ready 40 sites have been approved  
by Air Ministry Inspectors.

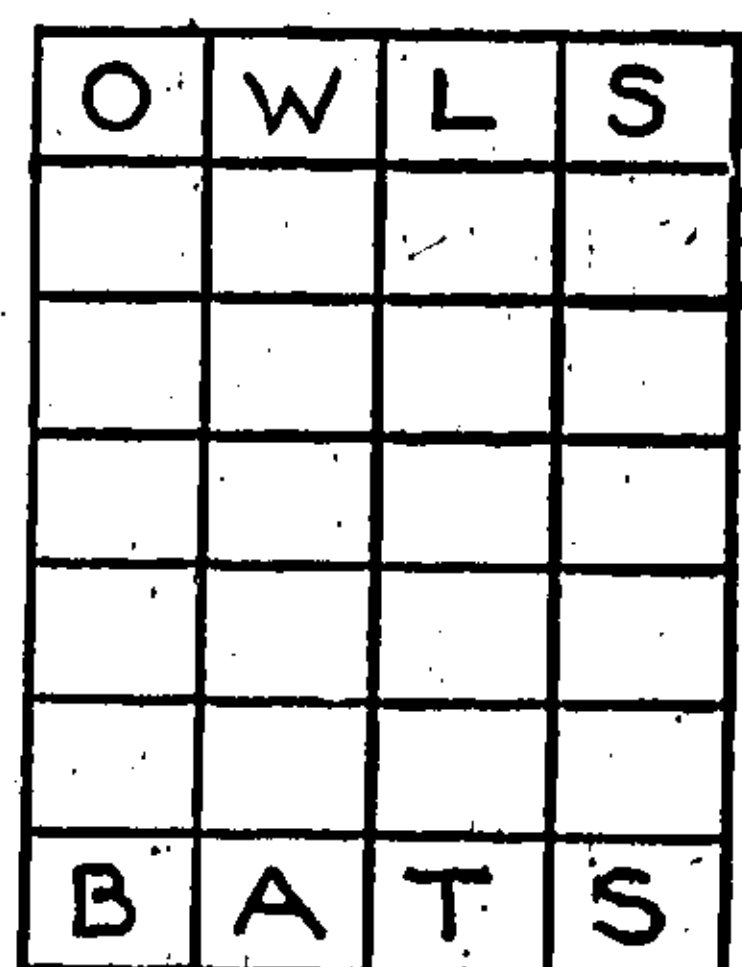
Many large cities, including  
Manchester, Leeds, Birmingham  
and Sheffield are included in the  
new chain of municipal aéro-  
dromes, which, it is hoped, will  
finally result in a network of air  
lines and air taxi services through-  
out the country.

A number of aerial sea ports  
are also being licensed to enable  
services of flying boats to operate  
from Britain to Ireland and the  
Continent.

A service of Blackburn Rolls  
Royce all-metal flying-boats is al-  
ready contemplated across the  
North Sea from Yorkshire to Hol-  
land and the Baltic ports, while  
the establishment of a regular air  
line between Liverpool and Ireland  
should materialise in the near  
future.

## LETTER GOLF.

OWLS and BATS form a weird  
background for to-day's par six  
puzzle.



- 1.—The idea of letter golf is to  
change one word to another and  
do it in par, a given number of  
strokes. Thus to change COW to  
HEN, in three strokes, COW,  
HOW, HEW, HEN.
- 2.—You can change only one  
letter at a time.
- 3.—You must have a complete  
word of common usage for each  
jump. Slang words and abbrevia-  
tions don't count.
- 4.—The order of letters cannot  
be changed.

One solution is printed on  
another page.

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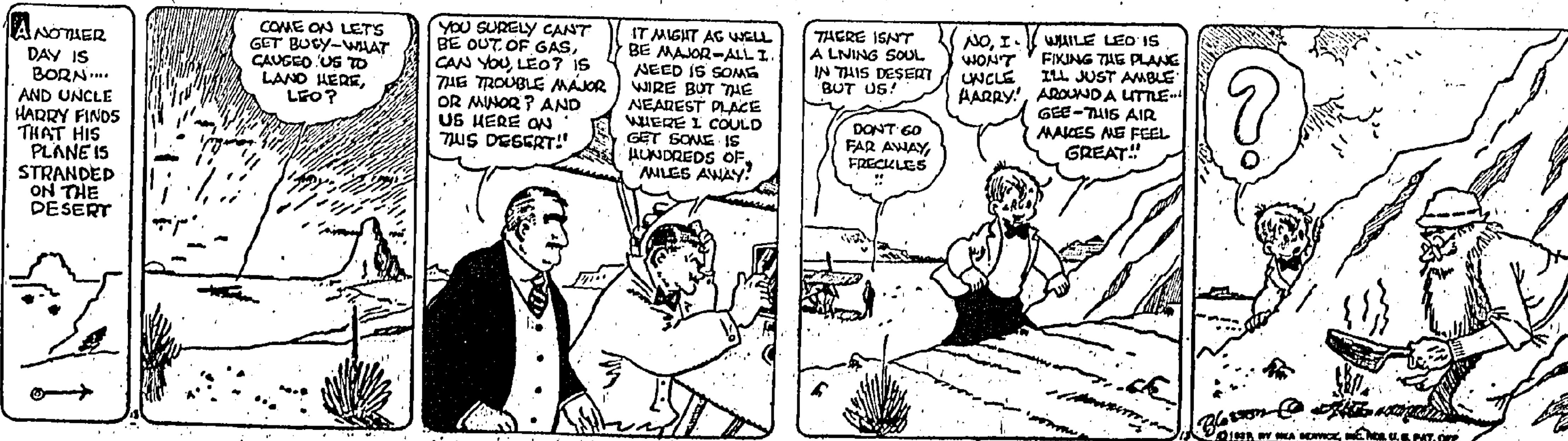
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#### BIRTH.

BOTTOMLEY.—At the Victoria  
Hospital on July 19th to Mr.  
and Mrs. J. H. Bottomley, a  
daughter.

### The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY JULY 19, 1929.

#### SHIPPING PROBLEMS.

Important shipping matters were raised at the recent annual gathering of the Baltic and International Maritime Conference, held at Newcastle-on-Tyne. In particular, there were pointed references to the manner in which the normal expansion of the industry has been hampered by "the artificial and restraints of high tariff walls, double taxation by Government, and other interferences." There were no fewer than nineteen maritime nations represented, the delegates numbering over two hundred. On the general outlook of the industry, it was reported that world shipping during 1928 showed an increased employment of tonnage, but sea transport was conducted at rates very close to the pre-war level, and at times below that level, notwithstanding much higher working costs.

One of the most important matters dealt with by the Conference was the question of charter party disputes, regarding which a plea for the establishment of a competent arbitration tribunal was adopted. The delegate who introduced this motion showed that at present three different national codes of law might be involved in a dispute over shipping contracts. As an instance, he gave a hypothetical case of a Danish ship carrying flour from the United States to Danzig and the English cargo underwriters claiming damages. Even though unable to obtain redress under the Danish, German or American law, none of which could make the ship itself responsible for the damage claimed, if ever the vessel, on a subsequent voyage, touched at an English port the underwriters could have it arrested with a view of bringing legal proceedings in England. Another difficulty arose as to what legal code was applicable when more than one nationality was involved. For example, it was pointedly asked whether, if a claim was preferred against an English ship carrying cargo to Copenhagen for an American firm, the case be treated under Danish, English or American law.

The tariff issue was raised in a resolution which expressed approval

of the recommendations of the World Economic Conference for the removal of trade barriers as an essential step to the process of restoring international trade. In this connexion tributes were paid to the work of the League of Nations and the International Chamber of Commerce to secure these objects, and the Conference pledged its support to the progressive removal of barriers relating to the freedom of transport of international navigable waterways, maritime ports, railways, and Customs formalities. It is worthy of note that nearly thirty countries have already made express declarations in favour of the World Economic Conference's recommendations, but, as yet, very little has been done towards putting them into effect. Political considerations, of course, are in a great measure responsible for this regrettable delay, but the day will no doubt come when it will be generally recognised that artificial restraints operate in the direction of high living costs.

#### Shanghai's Defence.

Miss Ellen Wilkinson trends, faintly perhaps, on very uncertain ground in urging that the Shanghai Municipal Council should be invited to contribute towards the cost of the Shanghai Defence Force. There may conceivably be justice in the plan that Britain's intervention at a critical period in Shanghai's history conserved the goodwill value of the Electrical Undertaking, but we are not at all sure that this is not entirely beside the point. In any event, a far more definite illustration of the benefits derived would have to be forthcoming to justify even unofficial pressure, and this, of course, is impossible. The mere fact that Shanghai has acquired, or is acquiring, £10,000,000 from any source cannot be a self-supporting argument in favour of Miss Wilkinson's views, though undoubtedly the round figures must be extremely tantalising in view of the fact that the British taxpayer has had to provide several millions in defence of the Settlement. Like Mr. Henderson, we sympathise to a great extent with the view that Shanghai residents should bear a share of the cost of their own defence, but there is no danger that the Labour Government will make themselves appear ridiculous by submitting such considerations to the Municipal Council. General sentiments are one thing and action another. Should there be any move in the direction desired by the lady M.P. for Middlesbrough, it must come from Shanghai. It may seem a trifle anomalous that the poor British taxpayer should suffer added burden in all the circumstances, but the difficulties are almost insurmountable. When truth is told the main purpose in despatching the Shaforce was the defence of the life and property of British residents. That the defence of the entire Settlement was involved was, in a way, purely incidental. The main point, however, is that to authorise any contribution, the Shanghai Municipal Council would require the express sanction of the whole of the ratepayers, Chinese, Japanese, American, as well as British, and one can imagine the hubbub. We anticipate that Shanghai will do the only possible thing—read what Miss Wilkinson has to say and forget it.

#### WATER LEVELS.

FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, compiled by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, shows the water levels in English feet on the West, North and East Rivers on the dates named:

|           | July 17 | July 18 |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| Shihing   | 20.8    | 19.7    |
| Tsingyuen | 7.9     | 7.3     |
| Samshui   | 12.5    | —       |
| Sheklung  | 5.4     | 4.6     |

An entertainment is to be given on the roof of the European Y.M.C.A. next Thursday when, on behalf of the members, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., will bid farewell to Mr. P. Sands, M.A., the assistant secretary, who is shortly leaving for England. Members and their friends will be present at a special dinner in the building prior to the concert.

#### DAY BY DAY.

FOR ALMOST EVERYBODY THE COURSE OF LIFE IS FIXED BY INEXORABLE NECESSITY. NOT ONE IN A THOUSAND IS FREE TO CHOOSE THE LIFE HE WOULD CARE FOR.—G. L. Loebe Dickinson.

Cargo from the Lok Sun is being sold by auction to-morrow.

The furniture of the Instone Bank is being sold by auction on Monday.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows one case each of diphtheria and typhoid. Both were Chinese.

Senders of telegrams are notified that, owing to faulty cable connexion, telegrams to and from Shanghai and beyond are subject to delay.

A gymnastic display by boys of the Central British School, Kowloon, was given yesterday afternoon under the supervision of Sergeant Mills.

Dr. J. W. Anderson, Alexandria Buildings, has passed the examination for the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons (Edinburgh), entitling him to the letters F.R.C.S.E.

A Chinese boy, named Lo Sai-koon, died at the Government Civil Hospital this morning from injuries resulting from a fall down the staircase of his home at 89, Praya East.

Notice has been given to the Registrar of the forthcoming wedding of Mr. Jacob Vidumsky, of 15, Hankow Road, Kowloon, and Mrs. Sima Mordouchovna Berman, of the same address.

The forthcoming marriage of Miss Marjorie Ruth Exham, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. F. S. Exham, of 373, The Peak, to Mr. John Reginald Laing, late of the Welsh Regiment, is announced.

While a building was being demolished at Morrison Hill Road yesterday, a coolie woman was fatally injured by a plank dropping on her head from the first floor. She was conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital, where she died at 5.10 a.m. to-day.

We have received from the Edinburgh Corporation a copy of the 1929 catalogue of hotels, boarding houses and apartments in the city. This is a well-produced publication, illustrated, and has been compiled for the benefit of visitors to Edinburgh. Copies can be secured from the Corporation Transport Office, 2, St. James' Square, Edinburgh.

At the Naval Dockyard Club on Wednesday evening before a large gathering of friends and Club members Mr. W. Latham, of the Constructive Department, was presented with a handsome silver tea set by Mr. S. R. Tiekner, Chief Constructor, who paid a graceful tribute to his services. Mr. W. Bickford, Principal Clerk of the Constructive Department, presided, and a small musical programme was contributed to by Messrs: Long-year (piano), Stacey (violin) and Turner (vocalist). Mr. Latham leaves on Saturday for Sheerness by the P. & O. s.s. Khiva, having served five years here.

#### ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY.

##### MORE K.O.S.B. PASSES.

A second class of candidates from "B" Coy, 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers, was presented for examination for the R.L.S.S.'s Proficiency certificates and bronze medallions at the Kowloon Dock Bathing Bench yesterday afternoon. Weather conditions were almost ideal; taking into consideration the fact that the class had been trained against time and had not been together very long, the candidates performed the necessary tests in a meritorious manner which was a credit to themselves and to their instructor.

The following recommendations have been forwarded to London for certificates and medallions:—Cpl. R. Sabben, L/Spl. W. Trigg, L/Cpl. R. McIntosh, L/Cpl. E. Ward, Ptes. G. Scott, J. McKenn, F. Osbourne, A. Smith, T. Murray and L. Bellefleurs. The instructor of the class, Pte. A. H. Dorsett, will be recommended for the Honorary Instructor's Certificate.

These ten passes bring the number of King's Own Scottish Borderers qualified up to twenty one, including two instructors; this must be considered a good start, and should be an incentive to further efforts.

#### 21 YEARS AGO.

##### SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended July 18th, 1908:

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.15/16d.

In a leading article on the cost of Higher Education, the Telegraph asked whether the Colony could afford to pay \$8,000 per annum for the education, during six months of the year, of an average of 200 boys.

The death occurred, from meningitis, of Mr. Guy Blood, of Messrs. Palmer and Turner. He had been six years in the Colony and was a Lieutenant in the Volunteer Corps.

A Chinese bazaar in Hongkong in aid of the West River Flood Disaster Fund yielded \$70,000.

#### THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

##### INTERESTING PICTURES TO-MORROW.

There will again be a varied and interesting selection of pictures of topical interest in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement.

The s.s. Lok Sun, grounded near Hongkong, will be shown in a series of excellent photographs, some of these being official Royal Air Force photographs.

Sporting events will include Mixed Doubles tennis, lawn bowls, and the Ying Wah Junior Basketball championship team.

Pictures of the University investiture and of the 16th (Catholic) Cathedral Troop of the Boy Scouts, as well as a photograph taken at the Maurice-Rosario wedding will also appear.

Last, but not least, there will be some effective bathing bench pictures entered in the Telegraph contest.

Mr. Chu Puk-tung paid \$500 for a drink of lemonade!

The wedding took place of Police Sergeant Brazil to Miss Norah Hurley. Sergeant John Lawless was the "best man" and Miss Stanes the bridesmaid.

The monthly water return showed the contents of island reservoirs to be 435 million gallons, whilst the consumption per head per day was 23.3 gallons.

Queen's College fees were advertised to be \$48 per annum for Classes 1, 2 and 3, and \$24 for Classes 4, 5 and 6.

A correspondent wrote suggesting that economical week-end aloft could be spent in a Hakka junk, the hire of which for two days would not exceed \$10. He pointed out that these junks were not used by fishermen and were therefore not evil-smelling.

### BRIDGE MADE EASY by W.W. Wentworth

(Abbreviations: A—ace; K—king; Q—queen; J—jack, X—any card lower than 10).

Reading Cards—3.

How you can mirror your partner's probable holding from his bidding is further exemplified in the following illustrations:

Partner's Bid: Initial one spade.  
Your Hand: Spades, Q J 10.  
Partner's Hand: Spades, A K X X X; hearts, X X X; diamonds, X X; clubs, Q X.  
Partner's Bid: Initial one heart.  
Your Hand: Hearts, A J 10.  
Partner's Hand: Spades, A X; hearts, K Q X X X; diamonds, X X; clubs, X X X X.  
Partner's Bid: Initial no trump.  
Your Hand: Spades, K J 10, hearts, K Q; diamonds, K J X; clubs, K Q X X.  
Partner's Hand: Spades, A X X X; hearts, A X X X; diamonds, X X X; clubs, A X.  
Partner's Bid: Doubles opponents' one spade bid.  
Your Hand: Spades, J X X X; hearts, X X; diamonds, K X X; clubs, X X X X.  
Partner's Hand: Spades, X; hearts, A J X X; diamonds, Q 10 X X; clubs, A Q X X.  
Partner's Bid: No trump after opponents' spade bid.  
Your Hand: Spades, X; hearts,

### The Very Idea!

The Hotel Stevens, Chicago, one of the largest hotels in the world, has announced that it will refuse in future to serve patrons with cracked ice in their rooms.

This action follows a discussion of club officials and hotel proprietors with the United States Attorney, who explained that under a recent decision the service of "setups" of soda water, ginger ale, and cracked ice to which patrons added something alcoholic made the house liable to prosecution under the 18th Law, although no liquor was actually sold.

The hotel's announcement to patrons says: "Ice water will still go to room, but no bowls of ice." Several other hotels and clubs in Chicago have taken similar action.

Some continue to serve ice and soda, but require the purchaser to sign a card declaring, "The undersigned agrees not to use this water to mix with intoxicating liquors."

At Olympia Fields, the big golf club on the outskirts of Chicago, even ice water is denied guests, who must go to the fountain to quench their thirst, while at the South Shore Country Club patrons are advised: "We do not keep ginger ale; if thirsty, drink water or tea."

Sea captain (in shipwreck)—"Women and children first."  
Mate—"Yes, but which are the women?"

Influential circles in France are becoming worried by the number of novels in which French women are presented in a bad light. They believe that circulation of these books abroad has created wrong ideas about the modern French girl.

Let nobody, therefore, believe all he hears  
About Mademoiselle from Armentieres.

For the minds of the writers are tainted.

The tales of Montmartre and the night-life of Paris

Are creations of fiction like our "Mrs. Arris."

The "Moulin" is not so "Rouge" as it's painted.

Jones, who had made up his mind to give a little musical party, thought he would inform his cook of the fact, so as to give her plenty of time to prepare.

"I am giving a musical party on Friday evening, cook," he said, "so I shall expect you to do your very best."

"Certainly, sir," she said. "I ain't sung for donkeys' years, but you can put me down for 'Sonnle Joy'!"

Willesden Prisoner—I don't know the name of the firm I am working for, but it is next door to a "pub" out Hendon way.

Wife at Stratford, E.—When an officer served a summons on my husband he threw it on the fire saying "I don't want anything to do with voting."

Judge Clier, at Shoreditch County Court—Even the Apostle, when he denied something, did it with strong language, so I think a laxative man would, too.

Counsel at Marylebone County Court—In August last my client bought a motor car, and that was the first of his troubles.

When Scheffel, the famous German poet, was staying in Italy for the benefit of his health he received from a friend in Germany an unfranked letter, containing nothing but the words, "I am well, With kind regards, Yours—etc." Annoyed at having to pay double postage for such an insignificant piece of news, the poet determined to serve his friend out. He procured a large stone, pucked it in a box, and sent it to his friend "carriage forward."

The latter, in the belief that he had been sent a nice present, gladly paid the heavy charge, opened the box, and found to his horror nothing but the stone to which was attached a label on which was written:—"On receipt of the news that you were well, the accompanying load rolled off my heart."

#### EXCHANGE RATES.

|               | London, July 18. |
|---------------|------------------|
| Paris         | 123.85 1/2       |
| Geneva        | 25.22            |
| Milan         | 62.74 1/2        |
| Stockholm     | 18.09 1/2        |
| Oslo          | 18.20            |
| Prague        | 103.7            |
| Madrid        | 33.25 (1)        |
| Athens        | 375              |
| Ido           | 5 1/2            |
| Bombay        | 1/6.25/32        |
| Hongkong      | 1/13 1/4         |
| Amsterdam     | 12.03 1/2        |
| Berlin        | 20.35 1/2        |
| Copenhagen    | 18.20            |
| Vienna        | 34.40            |
| Helsingfors   | 102 1/2          |
| Lisbon        | 108 1/2          |
| Buenos Aires  | 47 1/2           |
| Shanghai      | 2/4 1/2          |
| Silver (spot) | 24 1/2           |

—British Wireless.

Q X X X; diamonds, A X X X; clubs, X X X X.  
Partner's Hand: Spades, K J X; hearts, A 10 X; diamonds, K Q X; clubs, Q 10 X X.



**PUBLIC CAR STAND DOOMED?****TRAFFIC INSPECTOR AND CONGESTION.****CHATER ROAD SCHEME.**

Arising out of a case in which the driver of a public car was summoned for obstruction in Pedder Street included in a batch of traffic cases dealt with by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning, the congested state of the private car stand in that street was commented upon by his Worship.

Inspector Nicola, the Traffic Inspector, informed his Worship that he had already made a report to the Captain Superintendent of Police suggesting that the public car stand at Chater Road be abolished and be used for private motor cars. He suggested that all public cars should be kept in their garages and if anyone wanted a car, he should expect to ring up a garage in order to obtain one.

Inspector Nicola added that although his report had been sent in to the C.S.P. for consideration, no decision had yet been reached.

**K.O.S.B. BAND AT MT. AUSTIN.****EXCELLENT ALL FRESCO CONCERT.**

Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle and the band of the 2nd K.O.S.B. took a trip to the Peak last night to entertain the garrison at Mount Austin with one of the best concerts heard for some time. The night was delightfully fine and the attraction of the open air recital was irresistible.

The band was assisted by the Aloha Serenaders, who are extraordinarily popular with the troops. This group of entertainers consists of young men from the Portuguese Company of the R.K.A.D. Corps, who are always willing to give their services free for the entertainment of the garrisons at Mount Austin and Murray Barracks, and who are deserving of great praise for their efforts.

First selection on the lengthy programme was the stirring march "Phantom," played by the regimental band and followed by "Lovers' Gathering" by the pipe band.

The pipe band's performance of the evening was a lengthy selection from "Cavaliers Rusticans," which was perfectly played.

Following further pipe selections the Aloha Serenaders took the stage and could have held it for the whole evening as far as the audience was concerned. Every man in the group is an accomplished vocalist, and steel guitar player, and although their turn was quite a long one, the troops refused to allow them to leave the platform without three encore numbers, and even then with the greatest reluctance.

**WIFE SLAIN IN A NIGHTMARE.****TRAGEDY IN DREAM OF WAR HORRORS.**

London, June 18.

Said to have the mentality of a child of eleven, a man who had been wounded at the Dardanelles, and ill-treated as a prisoner of war, was charged at Liverpool with the murder of his wife and baby-girl.

For the defence it was urged that he killed his wife and child during a nightmare, in which he was fighting his war-time battles over again.

For the Crown, it was said that the man, John P. Jones, a labourer, struck his victims with a hammer while they were sleeping in bed, and then gave himself up, confessing that he and his wife had quarrelled.

Dr. Horn, of Walton Prison, said he did not think Jones was insane, nor did he think there was evidence that Jones was dreaming when he struck the blow.

The defence called a relative of the accused man, who said that after the war in the early morning he had found Jones "fighting with the Germans" and leaning over the bedrail.

Specialist's Theory.

Dr. Walsley, psycho-therapeutic specialist, said Jones was nervous, highly strung, and suffering from disease of the mind best described as epileptic.

At the time of the tragedy he had cloudy consciousness of the physical qualities of the act, but had no idea of the moral quality and did not know it was wrong.

He killed his wife in an epileptic dream state somewhat akin to somnambulism.

After 40 minutes' absence the jury returned a verdict of guilty, but insane, and the judge ordered Jones to be detained during his Majesty's pleasure.

**MANILA "SIAMESE" TWINS WED.****VAUDEVILLE TOUR IN U.S. PLANNED.****BRIDES GOING TOO.**

Manila, July 15.

The Yanco twins, who left behind them for good their days of single blessedness last Saturday evening, are spending their honeymoon learning how to roller-skate, while their brides, the former Misses Victoria and Natividad Motos, are learning native dances.

This is in preparation for their extended vaudeville tour of the United States on which the twins, contrary to previous plans, have decided to take their brides.

"If two can live as cheaply as one, then four can live as cheaply as two," say the twins, and so Mrs. Lucio and Mrs. Simplicio Godino will accompany them to the United States.

The wedding was perhaps one of the most talked about of the year. It was celebrated at the Lourdes Church last Saturday evening, with Don Teodoro R. Yanco and Mrs. Amalia Corpus de Magsaysay acting as sponsors.

The Yanco twins and their respective brides will leave for the United States on July 26 aboard the Empress of France. "The trip will be our real honeymoon trip, as we have no time to go to Baguio, as we first intended," Lucio stated last night.

The Yanco twins are billed as a double attraction by T. Turner, well-known vaudeville man in the United States. R. Urgan is the personal manager of the twins, and will accompany them to the United States.

The Yanco twins can do everything that a normal man can do, and then some. Among their exhibitions will be expert ballroom dancing, exhibition stage dancing, saxophone solos, skating and the rendition of the latest American songs.

**GIRL'S AMAZING DISAPPEARANCE.****TRAGEDY OF TWO MOTORISTS.**

London, June 18.

The mysterious "disappearance" of a young London woman who was motoring with her brother to Torquay on Sunday led to a series of amazing complications.

Miss Stella Fisher, aged 27, of Wandsworth Common, S.W., and her 21-year-old brother left their home in their father's car for Torquay.

Close to Exeter, about two o'clock in the afternoon, Miss Fisher asked her brother to stop the car. She walked away leaving him reading a book. Miss Fisher expected her brother to overtake her, while he expected her to return in a few minutes.

Mr. Fisher became immersed in his book, and when he suddenly realised that his sister was missing he drove on to Torquay. He found that he had forgotten their holiday address, and returning to Exeter, informed the police.

Without Money.

In the meantime Miss Fisher had walked through Exeter and on to Newton Abbot, a distance of 20 miles. Having left her bag in the car she was without money, but at Newton the station officials gave her a ticket to travel the remaining five miles to Torquay. Reaching her Babbacombe lodging Miss Fisher, thoroughly tired out, went to bed.

All through Sunday night, while Miss Fisher slept, the police of Devon and Exeter scoured the district aided by many local residents.

Yesterday the address of the lodgings at Babbacombe was ascertained, and Torquay police found Miss Fisher there.

People living in the locality where Miss Fisher disappeared were thrilled by the mysterious behaviour of an aeroplane which on Sunday afternoon flew very low over Exeter and dropped a message. The two occurrences have nothing to do with each other.

**STUDENTS IN LINER'S ENGINE ROOM.****PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE FOR CAMBRIDGE MEN.**

London, June 17.

Two engineering students from Cambridge University, Mr. E. St. Thackeray and Mr. H. C. Brand, joined the engineering staff of the Cunard liner Berengaria, which left Southampton on Saturday for New York.

They will thus gain practical experience of the operative side of the work.

The Berengaria's chief engineer, Mr. R. Lambert, said that the students would in turn keep the four-hour watches throughout the trip.

**CORRESPONDENCE.****Hongkong Currency.**

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I consider that "Observer's" letter in the Telegraph the other day, calls for an immediate explanation from our banking authorities.

The essentials of either a gold or a silver standard are free paper exchange and unrestricted importation and coinage of the metal concerned. Under these conditions it would be impossible for paper to acquire such a high premium over metal as 15%.

As things appear to stand at present, we are having a paper currency forced upon us that is lacking in backing and, for one, does not like the idea of being handed 1/9 for my 2/- in the event of a financial crisis.

I would suggest that we have either one thing or the other—a genuine metal standard on an independent paper currency backed up and controlled by the Colony's Legislative—Yours, etc.,

POUND OF FLESH.  
Hongkong, July 19th, 1929.

[The position of the notes-issuing banks in this matter was explained in an interview accorded to the Telegraph by the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes yesterday.—Ed. H.K.T.]

**The Water Charges.**

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—As in the case of motor taxes, I hope there will be further thought given before the Bill for the preservation of water can operate. It may not be feasible, but I should think that a certain amount of water can be allowed under the present assessment, say, 1/2, 1/3 or 1/4 of the usual supply, and that any excess should result in fines at not less than \$1 per 100 gallons, or some such quantity.

Pulvis who in the old days arranged rains, not fog, would smile, (the Gods don't laugh) at the arrangements whereby the assessment on mortals pay for his ministrations brings not one drop from the tap.

Mistaken judgment is the common lot of most humans, but things have come to a sorry pass when water cures and further ill continue and apparently must continue to haunt the feverish mind of the body politic.

Let us be rationed, or pay heavily for waste, but don't try. Enclosing my card.—Yours, etc.,

VIS A TERGO.  
Hongkong, July 19th, 1929.

**WARSHIPS IN PORT.**

The following is the disposition of warships in port:

Basin.—H.M. Ships Tamar, Tarantula, L.19.

North Arm.—H.M.S. Somme.

West Wall Dock.—H.M.S. Castor.

In Dock.—H.M. Ships Stormcloud, Sterling and Cicada.

Foreign.—U.S.S. Mindanao.

**SMUGGLING INTO AMERICA.****TWO SHANGHAI RESIDENTS ARRESTED IN U.S.****SERIOUS CHARGES.**

San Francisco, July 12.

An attempt to smuggle crucifixes and silk through the Customs here has lodged two arrivals from Shanghai in gaol.

They are Mrs. Mary Sobchenko who said she was born in Martineque, but was a resident of Shanghai, and Mr. Moses Gottlieb, who described himself as a Shanghai business man. They were passengers on the President Cleveland which left Shanghai on June 21.

The silks and other articles, which were found in false bottoms of trunks, are valued at more than \$1,500.

Gottlieb stated that he was going to Europe and subsequently to Brazil to establish a business in Chinese merchandise. He said he knew little of the United States Customs, but did not want to pay duty both in America and Brazil.

Both Gottlieb and Mrs. Sobchenko will be charged before the Federal Court.

**KOWLOON MOTORIST FINED.****USE OF SEARCH-LIGHT ON HIS CAR.**

Mr. T. L. Knight, of No. 333, Kowloon, appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, on charges of failing to produce his motor driver's licence and of using a searchlight when driving his car in Prince Edward Road.

The defendant admitted both charges.

When asked if he had anything to say, the defendant said he had left his licence at home. In respect of the other charge, he said he did not know it a spot-light could be classified as a searchlight.

Sergeant Scrim replied that they were the same. He pointed out that a spot-light was affixed to a swivel. In the present case, Sergeant Scrim said the defendant shone his light full in his (the officer's) face.

Mr. Knight replied that he had dimmed his lights, but the Sergeant had left his full on. A little courtesy on the officer's part would have avoided the trouble. He had to resort to his spot-light as he had been unable to see the road because of the brightness of the sergeant's lights.

His Worship imposed fines of \$1 on each charge.

**"RAIN LATER."**

The Royal Observatory reports that between noon and 5 p.m. yesterday the track of the typhoon altered from N. to W.N.W. It probably crossed Northern Formosa with greatly increased velocity and has entered the coast to the south of Foochow this morning. Cable communication is interrupted, and no returns are available from northern stations. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—S.W. winds, fresh; fine at first, cloudy and squally with rain later.

**CEYLON TAXATION PROTEST.****UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS LEAVE THE COUNCIL.****OBJECTION TO VETO.**

There was a sensational sequel to the introduction of increased taxation, in the Ceylon Legislative Council on July 4, when 17 Unofficial members left the House as a protest.

In accordance with the statement made by H. E. the Governor in Council on July 4, the new rates of import duty came into operation that night. The next day a motion was moved by the Colonial Treasurer, seeking the assent of the Legislative Council to the increased duty. The Unofficials voted against the motion en bloc, the actual voting being 12 for the motion and 27 against.

The Colonial Secretary then stated that the Governor, holding the matter to be one of paramount importance, had used his powers of certification to introduce the new taxes.

The tea interval followed, and on resumption, Mr. D. B. Jayatilaka wanted to move the adjournment of the House as a protest against the action taken by Government. The vice-President said he could only allow an ordinary motion for the adjournment of the House. Such a motion was moved and was lost by one vote. One member who was in the retiring room during the division returned to Council after it and a re-count was asked by one of the Unofficials. This the vice-President did not allow, and all the members who voted for the motion, excepting Mr. K. Balasingham, and the member who came in after the division, walked out of Council.

The remaining Government business was proceeded with before Council adjourned about half an hour later till July 18.

This is the second occasion on which a group of Unofficial members have left the Ceylon Legislative Council in protest, the other being on the occasion of the passing of the Wood Renton-Fernando Salary Scheme.

**"EXCESS BAGGAGE."****WILLIAM HAINES IN NEW ROLE.**

The well-known juvenile lead, William Haines, has forsaken light parts to take a more serious role in "Excess Baggage," the feature film now being shown at the Queen's Theatre. As a struggling young artist of the vaudeville stage, he is seen trying to make good with the encouraging presence of his beautiful wife, but as soon as she deserts him to take up a role in a film production, he breaks into pieces, and we see him writhing under the humiliation of the situation. Some tender love scenes, in which Haines demonstrates his powers as an actor, in conjunction with Josephine Dunn, an actress comparatively new to a Hongkong audience, are witnessed, before the story moves on to a happy conclusion.

"Excess Baggage" is well up to standard, and should not be missed.

**"STRONG BOY."****NEW VICTOR McLAGLEN FILM.**

According to advance reports, no better story than "Strong Boy" could have been selected by Fox Films to abet Victor McLaglen in making inroads into public favour. The photoplay comes to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, and is said to be the last word in comedy. The story centres around a big bashful Romeo, a railway luggage porter, whose shyness in the presence of the weaker sex gets him into more than one trunkful of difficulties. Lentrice Joy serves as the object of McLaglen's screen affections, and Farrell McDonald, David Torrence, Furlie Jensen, Dolores Johnson, Kent Sanderson, Slim Summerville, Clyde Cook, Tom Wilson and others are in the large cast.

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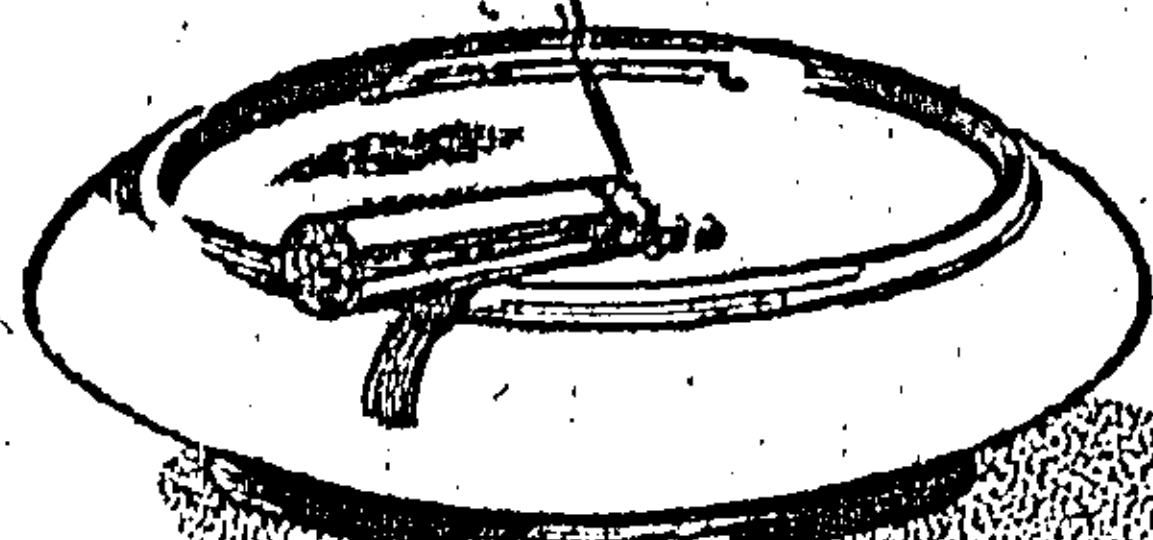
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## U.S. BASEBALL.

### LEAGUE RESULTS AND STANDINGS.

New York, July 15.  
Yesterday's baseball matches resulted as follows:

#### National League.

|              | R. | H. | E. |
|--------------|----|----|----|
| Cincinnati   | 6  | 8  | 1  |
| Boston       | 7  | 13 | 2  |
| Pittsburgh   | 10 | 15 | 0  |
| Philadelphia | 2  | 8  | 2  |
| Chicago      | 4  | 11 | 0  |
| New York     | 0  | 4  | 0  |
| St. Louis    | 8  | 13 | 4  |
| Brooklyn     | 15 | 9  | 2  |

#### American League.

|            | R. | H. | E. |
|------------|----|----|----|
| Washington | 1  | 3  | 1  |
| Cleveland  | 6  | 10 | 0  |
| New York   | 4  | 8  | 1  |
| Chicago    | 2  | 9  | 1  |

(First game)  
New York 6 12 4  
Chicago 5 11 7

(Second game, 14 innings)  
Philadelphia 1 7 1  
St. Louis 3 7 0

(First game)  
Philadelphia 4 9 0  
St. Louis 0 5 0

(Second game)  
Saturday's results were as follows:

#### National League.

|            | R. | H. | E. |
|------------|----|----|----|
| Cincinnati | 4  | 15 | 0  |
| Boston     | 3  | 10 | 2  |

(Eleven innings)  
Chicago 3 8 1  
New York 4 13 1

(Ten innings)  
St. Louis 7 8 3  
Brooklyn 8 9 3

Pittsburgh 6 14 1  
Philadelphia 4 13 0

#### American League.

|            | R. | H. | E. |
|------------|----|----|----|
| Washington | 2  | 12 | 0  |
| Cleveland  | 3  | 10 | 2  |

New York 12 15 3  
Chicago 2 9 3

Philadelphia 10 13 1  
St. Louis 0 5 0

(First game)  
Philadelphia 8 8 0  
St. Louis 2 8 4

(Second game)  
Boston 12 16 2  
Detroit 13 15 2

The League standings are as follows:

#### National League.

|              | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| Pittsburgh   | 51 | 25 | .649 |
| Chicago      | 47 | 27 | .636 |
| New York     | 47 | 35 | .573 |
| St. Louis    | 39 | 40 | .494 |
| Brooklyn     | 36 | 41 | .467 |
| Philadelphia | 32 | 46 | .410 |
| Boston       | 32 | 49 | .395 |
| Cincinnati   | 29 | 48 | .376 |

#### American League.

|              | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| Philadelphia | 58 | 22 | .725 |
| New York     | 49 | 28 | .636 |
| St. Louis    | 49 | 28 | .636 |
| Detroit      | 43 | 39 | .524 |
| Cleveland    | 40 | 38 | .512 |
| Washington   | 29 | 47 | .382 |
| Chicago      | 29 | 54 | .361 |
| Boston       | 24 | 57 | .296 |

#### LOCAL TENNIS.

##### S.C.A.A. DEFEAT L.R.C. IN "C" DIVISION.

In the "C" division of the local tennis league, on the S.C.A.A. ground yesterday, the S.C.A.A. beat the L.R.C. by eight sets to one. Scores: Ng Kam-chuen and Choy Ping-fan (S.C.A.A.) beat A. R. Minu and M. O. Hoosen 6-1; beat J. S. Ackber and M. Hassan 6-1; beat D. M. Razack and M. V. Razack 6-2; C. S. Chan and H. W. Chan (S.C.A.A.) beat Minu and Hoosen 4-6; beat Ackber and Hassan 6-3; beat Razack and Razack 6-0; C. C. Ma and S. K. Ng (S.C.A.A.) beat Minu and Hoosen 7-5; beat Ackber and Hassan 6-1; beat Razack and Razack 6-1.

##### Hong Doubles.

In the only match in the Hong Doubles Tournament played yesterday afternoon on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground, H. J. Armstrong and O. E. C. Marion of Messrs. Deacons (two 16/1) beat H. C. Sheldon and T. G. Bennett (two 5/5) 6-4, 6-4.

##### GOLF MATCH.

A match between the Kowloon Golf Club and Happy Valley is to be played on Sunday, starting at 9 a.m. The latter will be represented by the following:—A. O. Brown, R. Campbell, E. D. Black, P. Morrison, F. E. Booker, C. Mycock, R. Clarke, A. J. W. Dorling, F. M. Ellis, P. Tester, C. B. Matthews and A. Brooksbank.

## PEDESTRIAN KILLED.

### DRIVER OF LORRY CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

The hearing was commenced, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, of the case in which a motor driver in the employ of Messrs. Wallace Harper & Co., Ltd., is charged with causing the death of a Chinese who was knocked down and fatally injured in Nathan Road near Waterloo Road on the afternoon of July 5.

Mr. L. R. Andrewes, assistant Crown Solicitor conducted the case for the prosecution while Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared for the defendant. Mr. M. K. Lo held a watching brief on behalf of the relatives of the deceased.

Opening his case Mr. Andrewes said that the accident happened at about 3.20 p.m. on July 5 and the motor lorry involved was demonstration No. 451. The accident occurred in Nathan Road, not very far from the Magistracy, at the junction of Waterloo Road.

Lo Chi lost his life as a result of the accident and evidence would be given to show that after being struck he was carried some two or three yards on the front of the vehicle, which then passed over him and travelled on for a distance of eight yards before it came to a stand still.

With the aid of a plan and photographs Mr. Andrewes explained that the defendant's lorry was following another vehicle. There was a conflict of evidence as to whether the driver of the front lorry waved his hand for the defendant to pass or whether he signalled his intention of turning into Waterloo Road.

Five Ribs Fractured.

The defendant's lorry managed to pass in front of the other vehicle which had turned to proceed down Waterloo Road. The defendant's lorry then swerved back to the left of the road at an excessive speed. Mr. Andrewes mentioned that there was again a conflict of evidence as to the speed.

The lorry knocked down a man on the side of the road and then travelled for a short distance before stopping.

Mr. Andrewes mentioned that the lorry involved was a six-wheel vehicle without a body, being a sort of truck.

Dr. J. E. Dovey certified that the cause of death was fracture of the second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth ribs on the left side, internal

hemorrhage and shock. There were multiple scratches on the head, chest and back.

In reply to Mr. Armstrong witness said that it was impossible to say what the deceased had been struck by. He had been crushed between two objects. He thought that the wheel had mounted the left side of the chest, but did not pass over the body.

Witness said that he thought the scratches were caused by the body being dragged along the ground.

Photographs of the scene of the accident were produced by Sub-Inspector Vincent.

Somerset Sergeant's Evidence.

Quarter Master Sergeant W. J. Chidger, of the Somerset Light Infantry, who was standing outside the President Apartments was the next witness called. Giving evidence he said: I happened to cast my vision along Nathan Road towards the Star Ferry and my attention was attracted by a small lorry crossing Nathan Road, going from west to east.

At the same time I noticed another lorry coming down Nathan Road towards Mongkok from the Star Ferry. When I first noticed the second lorry it appeared to be about 30 yards away from the first lorry. The next thing I noticed was that the second lorry seemed to put on speed and turn at right angles to get around the head of the lorry which was crossing from west to east.

Having cleared this lorry the driver tried to get back on to his proper side again but appeared to have lost control. It crossed the road from the east to west side and had its rear front wheel hit the kerb. The next thing I saw a body being hurled into the air. The body appeared to land on the back of the head or neck. As the body rolled over on to its back a wheel of the lorry passed over it.

Not Quite Dead.

Mr. Andrewes: Which wheel? Witness: I would not swear as to which wheel it was.

Continuing, witness said: I ran across the road and tried to get some of the people standing around to give me assistance with a view to getting the body away but I could get no one to help me. His Worship: Was the man dead then? Witness: Not quite dead. There was a little life in him. Very little, just nervous movements.

Proceeding, witness said that he eventually got a Chinese gentleman who telephoned to the Hospital. An Indian constable had by this time arrived on the scene and after witness had helped to

## CHARITY FOOTBALL.

### FOR DEPENDENTS OF DISASTER VICTIMS.

A charity football match was played on the Dockyard football ground yesterday afternoon in aid of the dependents of the victims of Submarine H.47 and L.12, and was witnessed by a large gathering.

The contestants were teams from Submarine L.19 and "A" Company of the Somerset Light Infantry (Prince Albert's), and the match, which was a very keenly contested affair, ended in a win for the latter by 4 goals to 2.

A collection made on the field amounted to \$91.50, and this was augmented by raffling the ball, bringing the total sum collected to \$100. The winning ticket was No. 363.

Thanks are due to the teams, which so readily turned out in weather conditions which made a game of football a matter of very strenuous work.

## LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page. OWLS, AWLS, AILS, AIDS, BIDS, BITS, BATS.

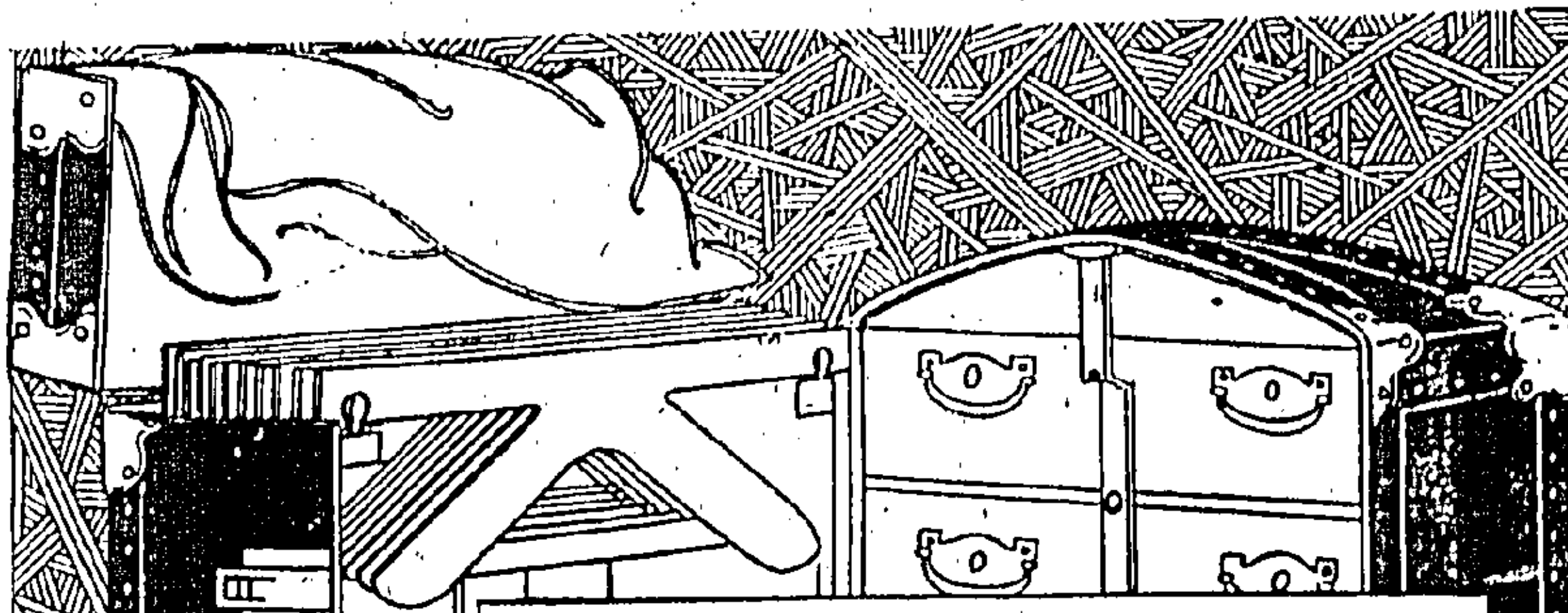
move the body from the pavement to the roadway witness left the constable in charge. The lorry, continued witness, came to rest on the west side of the line of trees on the side of the road.

Mr. Andrewes: Did you see any reason why the lorry, which had the accident, should swerve around the lorry running into Waterloo Road? Witness: No. I didn't see any reason.

Did you see any signal given?—No. And after he had got around the other lorry, could you see any other reason why a drove to the side of the road?—No, other than he lost control of the vehicle.

Answering further questions witness said that there was no other traffic which would have any influence on the driver's steering. Have you any idea what was the speed of the lorry which had the accident? I am not a judge of speed but I should imagine it was travelling twice as fast as a bus. At this stage the case was adjourned.

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# WHITEAWAYS.



**WATER CRISIS DEBATED.****OFFICIAL RESOLUTION NOT ACCEPTABLE.****SHING MUN DELAYS.**

Legislative Council deferred an hour yesterday a motion by the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock urging that all the permanent measures to increase the supply which are referred to in the report of Mr. R. M. Henderson of February 20, 1928, be decided with and completed in as possible.

Sir Henry Pollock.—I beg to move that, "In the opinion of the Council it is imperative, in the interests of this Colony, that permanent measures to increase the water supply which are referred to in the report of Mr. Henderson, dated the 20th February, 1928, other than those which have already been decided, be proceeded with and completed as soon as possible."

Subject in making this motion, Mr. Henderson, in his report, endeavoured by comment of a water supply, by which term he meant an adequate water supply throughout the year (not from any one source) even in the dry season, and that we have got far too much to be satisfied with a curd supply in certain districts, and that we ought to make up our minds that this Colony of ours has to have a satisfactory permanent water supply in the sense in which I have just defined.

There have been through bad times, and long as regards trade during the past four years, but I have yet once again to reaffirm my faith in the future of this Colony. As, as you, Sir, fully demonstrated in the interesting financial review of Hongkong, which you presented in this Council, on the 1st of December, 1927, persists in existing, in spite of temporary setbacks, and, as we know, fresh trading sites on Crown land are continually being brought to Government attention, whilst the number of large ocean-going vessels, entering our Harbour is increasing.

Now water is one of the necessities of life, and we must have in sufficient quantity; and, in considering the question of increasing our water supply, on the mainland, in order to supply the needs of Hongkong Island, we must in mind the large Praya Eastclamation, which we may reasonably hope to see covered with trees, in a few years time.

Assistance to Contractors. And whilst I am on the subject of new buildings in this Colony, I would express the hope that the Government will give every reasonable assistance to building contractors in obtaining water for the drying on their building work. I doubt if contractors can do a right deal for themselves by the asking of wells, but I am not clear that that kind of relief completely solves the difficulty, seeing that fresh water is not suitable for every kind of building work.

Before dealing in detail with Mr. Henderson's Report of the 20th February, 1928, I should like, if I may be permitted to do so, to express appreciation of the hard work put in by him and his able assistant, Mr. Purves; the results of which are embodied in Mr. Henderson's Report of the 8th April, 1928, (included in Sessional Paper 4 of 1928), and in his Report, extracts from which are included in Sessional Paper 10 of 27, and in his Report of the 20th February, 1928, which is included in Sessional Paper 4 of 1928.

Bearing in mind our present serious water-shortage and the very grave inconveniences and heavy cost of the purely makeshift measures to which the Colony has been subjected during the last few months, I think that few will dispute the expediency of pushing a vigorously with our permanent measures of water-supply.

**The Pipe Line Scheme.**

The earliest of such measures now due for completion is the pipe-line across the Harbour, and, in view of the different dates of completion of that line which have been mentioned, I hope that the Hon. the Director of Public Works will inform us presently on what date that line is to be completed. Other dates which it would also be interesting to know are the contract-date for the completion of the Kowloon Byewash Reservoir, and the contract dates for the completion of the various stages of the Aberdeen scheme, which scheme, as appears from the details given on page eleven of Sessional Paper No. 4 of 1928, consists of over a dozen items, namely:—

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Upper Dam.                        | \$900,000 |
| East Catchwaters                  | \$180,000 |
| West Catchwaters                  | \$255,000 |
| Supply Pipe to Pumping Station    | \$270,000 |
| Pumping Station to complete.      | \$190,000 |
| Rising Mains.                     | \$ 70,000 |
| New Filters.                      | \$180,000 |
| Existing dam alteration.          | \$100,000 |
| Lower dam-Pipe Line.              | \$ 30,000 |
| Bennett's Hill Catchwater.        |           |
| Alteration to Pokfulam Reservoir. | \$497,000 |
| Access Road.                      |           |
| Resumptions.                      |           |
| Salvage.                          |           |

There is added a note that the estimated time to construct all the above is three years, i.e. from 1928 to 1931 and that the estimated production is 2.12 million gallons per day.

In connexion with this Aberdeen scheme, which is also dealt with in Sessional Paper 10 of 1927, I would draw attention to the fact that it is of especial importance to the residents in the rider-main districts at West Point that all the items of this scheme should be pushed through to completion as soon as possible, and even in a shorter time, if possible, than that allotted by Mr. Henderson.

**Tytum Tuk Catchwaters.**

Other important works are the increase of the catchment areas of Tytum Tuk Reservoir and in his Report on the third paragraph of page 10 of Sessional Paper 4 of 1928, Mr. Henderson says:—

"As Tytum Tuk Reservoir is at present short of Catchment Area, I would propose the construction of Mount Pottinger, Mount Parker, Tytum Tuk East and Dragon's Back East catchwaters, all of which would drain into that Reservoir."

I believe that the Director of Public Works has some good news to tell us with reference to the Dragon's Back catchwater, which I understand is being strenuously proceeded with, but I would venture to express the hope that he will be able to give us some assurance with regard to promptly proceeding with the other catchwaters recommended by Mr. Henderson, more especially as that officer, lower down on the same page of his Report informs us, if I have read him aright, that his proposals for both Hongkong and Kowloon, other than the second section of the Shing Mun scheme, will only bring the total supply of the Colony up to 15.53 million gallons per day, i.e. only up to the estimated requirements of the Colony in 1932. Mr. Henderson adds: "With the addition of the filters proposed under the Aberdeen Scheme the filtering capacity of the Colony would approximately equal requirements."

**The Shing Mun Scheme.**

Obviously, therefore, in view of the fact that the second section of the Shing Mun scheme must take some years to complete, it is desirable that it should be commenced next year, if possible; and I notice from page 83 of the Hongkong Budget for 1928, that my honourable friend, Sir Shou-son Chow, speaking on behalf of all the Unofficial members in the Budget debate of last year, stated that the Unofficial members unanimously supported the proposal that the second section of the Shing Mun scheme should be pushed on with all possible speed.

In that view of the Unofficial members I respectfully concur, and in this connexion it is disappointing to learn from the statement of Director of Public Works, made in this Council on the 20th ultimo, that "considerable preliminary work is necessary" before works of this magnitude can be commenced, more especially as Sessional Paper 4 of 1929 includes the following extract from a telegram, dated the 19th October, 1925, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor:—

"With reference to the Shing Mun scheme second section, I agree to the details being worked out immediately, as it is obvious that this will be required before long in any case."

The Shing Mun scheme second section consists of several parts and involves the building of nine dams in all and the construction of various catchwaters, and I rather gather from Mr. Henderson's remarks on the Order of Construction in his Report of the 8th April, 1924, that we shall obtain useful results most speedily in connexion with this scheme by constructing catchwaters draining areas A, B, C, D, E and on the Southern slopes of Tai-mushan and by building Dams Nos. 3 and 4.

**A Second Pipe Line.**

Doubtless a second pipe-line across the harbour would form a necessary corollary to the second section of the Shing Mun scheme; and, if we can build two pipe-lines at the same time much more cheaply, in proportion, than we can build one, it seems worth while to consider whether it would not be better to get on with the laying of the second pipe-line now.

In his Report of the 20th February, 1928, Mr. Henderson also says:—

"To cope with the increased consumption a consistent annual programme of main-laying and distribution improvement is necessary both on the Island and the Mainland. Balance-tanks at North Point and Kowloon City are becoming urgent necessities." In connexion with the above statements of Mr. Henderson I should be glad if the Director of Public Works could inform us whether such a consistent annual programme of main-laying and distribution improvement has been drawn up, and, if so, what it is and whether it is being carried out. Also whether balance-tanks at North Point and Kowloon City are being put in hand, and, if not, why not.

**Outside Assistance.**

Generally, in connexion with the question of speeding up the providing of the Colony with a satisfactory permanent water-supply, I should like to point out that a precedent exists for the Government employing (if necessary) the services of a non-Government Engineer temporarily in order to supplement a shortage (if any) in the Government staff, as was done in the case of Mr. Lawrence Gibbs (then of Denison, Ram & Gibbs) who was retained by the Government in connexion with the construction of the big reservoir at Kowloon. I do not, of course, pretend to be able to judge whether such outside engineering assistance is or is not desirable so as to enable the Government to push on more speedily with some or any of their permanent water-measures, but I hope that the question of employing such outside assistance will be taken into careful consideration by Your Excellency.

I desire to take this opportunity of congratulating the Public Works Department upon the pipeline scheme which it is carrying out for the increase of the water-supply which can be handled at the Pier at Sham Tseng, opposite Capatmoon, and I understand that the Government is exploring the possibility of connecting yet further streams in that neighbourhood with that Pier. These resources which are much nearer to us than those in the Canton River or at Wangmoon should form very valuable auxiliaries to our water-supply.

**Mr. Sutherland's Scheme.**

In conclusion, I should like to mention to the Council a system for enabling every householder in this Colony to convert his own house into an effective catchwater for rain-water, to be used for washing and flushing purposes. This system has kindly been sent to me by Mr. Robert Sutherland, who informs me that he has found that it has effected a marvellous saving in the case of his own house at the Peak.

His memorandum to me, which was written primarily for the use of Peak residents, reads as follows:—

"A very easy method of collecting rain water can be arranged by simply removing a section of the down-take water pipe from the roof, and adjusting a short canvas hose which conveys the water into barrels. I have tried this method for months past and I have found it of great economy in the use of water, inasmuch as every drop of water from the roof is caught and conveyed up to the flushing tank and hot water tank on the roof. By this means the only water drawn from the main is purely for cooking and drinking purposes."

"If the intention is to suggest this method to other residents at the Peak, and elsewhere, I have an estimate from Wo Fat and Co., 34 and 36 Des Voeux Road Central, who will supply 40 gallon barrels at \$5.50 each, lengths of canvas hose 10 feet each, including binding to the down-take pipe, removal of the pipe, etc., at \$11 per length. They will deliver the barrels, and make all the adjustments necessary, for a charge of \$16.50 inclusive, and re-adjust the rain pipes at any time required. This is a most reasonable charge and should be availed of."

"I suggest that the Peak residents be informed of the foregoing particulars and they can communicate direct with Wo Fat & Co., Telephone C. 661—when the work will be expeditiously carried out. I have known Wo Fat for many years and he is thoroughly reliable."

"Before this water system is put into vogue if the water is collected from a flat roof it would be well to have this thoroughly scrubbed with bamboo brooms as flat roofs are inclined to become mildewed and sooted up."

"The advantage of canvas hose is, of course, that not being a fixture it can be taken out of one barrel and put in another without any trouble. My experience is that two barrels should be put in position for each rain pipe."

I suggest that a similar saving of water could be effected in Chinese houses, and that possibly the cost of the scheme could be cheapened by substituting a bamboo-pipe for the canvas hose mentioned by Mr. Sutherland. At all events it seems to be worth while to bring this plan for saving not

only water but the cost and labour of getting it to the notice of the Chinese community.

**No Restrictions.**

Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow.—I have much pleasure in seconding the motion which has been made by the hon. senior unofficial member. I can assure Your Excellency that the Chinese community are most anxious that the water supply of this Colony should be sufficiently increased in future to ensure, if practicable, that there shall be no restrictions whatever in the supply of water even in the dry season.

**COLONIAL SECRETARY'S REPLY.**

Government Unable to Accept the Motion.

The Colonial Secretary.—I cannot help feeling, Sir, that the honourable mover of this motion has travelled somewhat outside the scope of a motion intended to deal with permanent measures in putting before us so temporary a makeshift arrangement as that which he described in the latter part of his speech. The Government is in general sympathy with the objects of the mover in bringing to public notice the importance of getting on as quickly as possible with permanent measures for increasing the water supply of this Colony, but the Government cannot accept the motion as it stands, for it is cast in such wide terms that it would commit this Council and the Government to a programme of work which has not been adequately examined and which has not been submitted much less received the sanction of the Secretary of State, for if hon. members would refer to the Sessional Paper to which the mover of this motion drew attention, they will find included among the permanent measures to increase the water supply in the report of Mr. Henderson, the second section of the Shing Mun scheme. Now, the second section of the Shing Mun scheme is a project which is still under investigation, and as to which it is at present quite impossible to decide what particular measures ought to be undertaken. I hope that the hon. member, after hearing what I have to say, will be satisfied that the Government is carrying out as quickly as possible the more important sections of work referred to in Mr. Henderson's report, and will see his way not to press this motion to a division.

I would like, in passing, to associate myself on behalf of the Government, with the kind reference which the hon. member made to the work of the Public Works Department and of the water engineers in particular. No one knows better than I do how the water engineers have spared no pains to cope with the difficulties of the existing crisis.

**Water from Aberdeen Reservoir.**

I will now come to the more detailed points raised by the hon. member. The hon. member is, of course, aware from statements which have been made both by myself and by the Hon. Director of Public Works in this Council, that the Aberdeen scheme is already being proceeded with, and that water from this source should be available by the spring of 1931. I regret I do not quite follow the trend of the hon. member's reference to the specific items of the Aberdeen scheme. Every large scheme consists of a number of items, but the engineers can hardly be expected to assign a specific date for the completion of each of the items which go to comprise the complete scheme.

The hon. member referred to the catchwaters which are intended to improve the supply of Tytum Tuk, which form the second group of works in the programme of works in Mr. Henderson's lists. These items were not proceeded with owing to lack of staff, our engineers being engaged at the time on bigger and more profitable schemes. I am not unaware that the Public Works Committee in July of last year gave special prominence to the importance of these works and those members who were present will no doubt remember that I informed them when I met them informally in October last that the matter had not been overlooked, but that it could not be proceeded with owing to the fact that the engineers were fully occupied with other and more important water schemes. The matter did, however, receive further investigation, but in February of this year when, in addition to the cross harbour pipe and the Aberdeen scheme it was decided to proceed with the Kowloon Byewash Reservoir, it became imperative for the engineers to proceed at the same time with these catchwaters. I may observe that these catchwaters have been under consideration since the year 1921, but owing to their uneconomical cost in comparison with other schemes, they were from time to time deferred in favour of more profitable schemes.

**Two More Engineers.**

At the same time the hon. member referred to special work which

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was being carried out in connexion with Dragon's Back West catchwater. I am able to inform the Council that a temporary channel dealing with over 150 acres of the area to be drained by this catchwater is being made and will be completed this month. It is nearly one mile in length and will have a maximum capacity of ten million gallons per day. It will be subsequently incorporated in the permanent work of the catchwaters.

The hon. member suggested that if, as I have explained, the work cannot be proceeded with owing to shortage of staff that the Government should offer the work to private engineering firms, and he quoted a particular instance where, I understand, he maintains this procedure was adopted with great success. Now, Sir, without any wish to disparage in any way the skill and ability of private firms, the Government is definitely of the opinion that work of this kind can be more cheaply and more satisfactorily carried out under direct Government supervision, and in view of the magnitude of the works now in hand and contemplated, two additional engineers have already been asked for and will, I hope, be in the Colony before many months are passed. With reference to the one particular case quoted by the hon. member, the case was a very peculiar one. Mr. Gibbs was Assistant Engineer in the Public Works Department and actually such prepared the drawings for that work. He then left the Department and joined a private firm and the Government decided to allow his firm to complete the work, presumably owing to Mr. Gibbs' intimate knowledge of the details.

**Shing Mun Sections.**

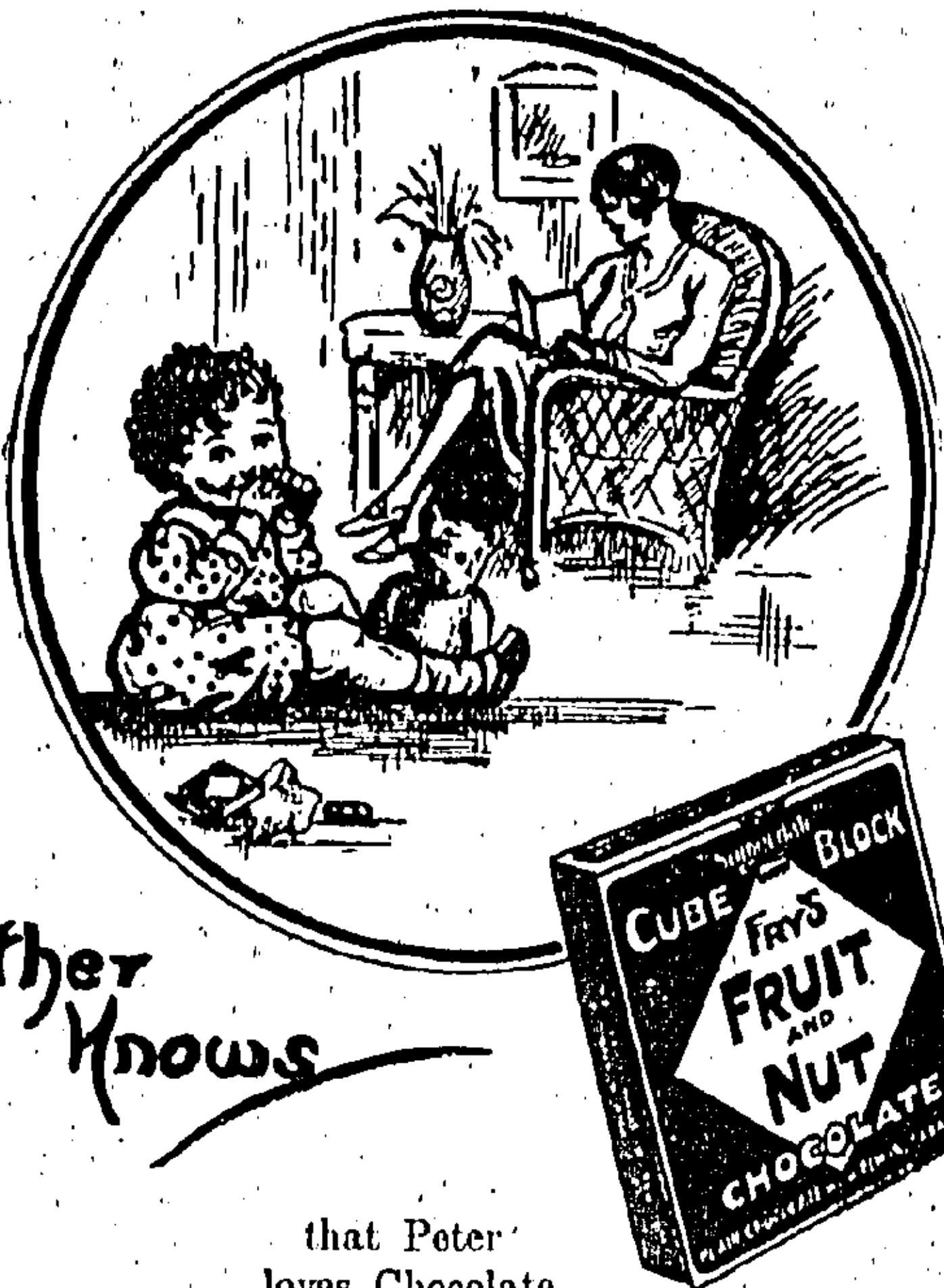
Coming now to the Shing Mun scheme, the whole of the first section has been sanctioned and the final portions of it comprising the cross harbour pipe line, service reservoir and the land pipe line are now in hand and it is hoped water will be available through the pipe line early next year. The Kowloon Byewash Reservoir, which the hon. member referred to, forms an additional item to the first section of the Shing Mun scheme. It is already under construction and it should be completed about the end of 1930.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock.—You say it should be completed by the end of 1930? Does that mean the contract?

The Director of Public Works.—The date of the contract is the 13th of December, 1930.

The Colonial Secretary.—The next item in Mr. Henderson's list is the second section of the Shing Mun scheme, for which he puts down a sum of \$200,000, as the estimated cost for the first year. (Continued on Page 10.)





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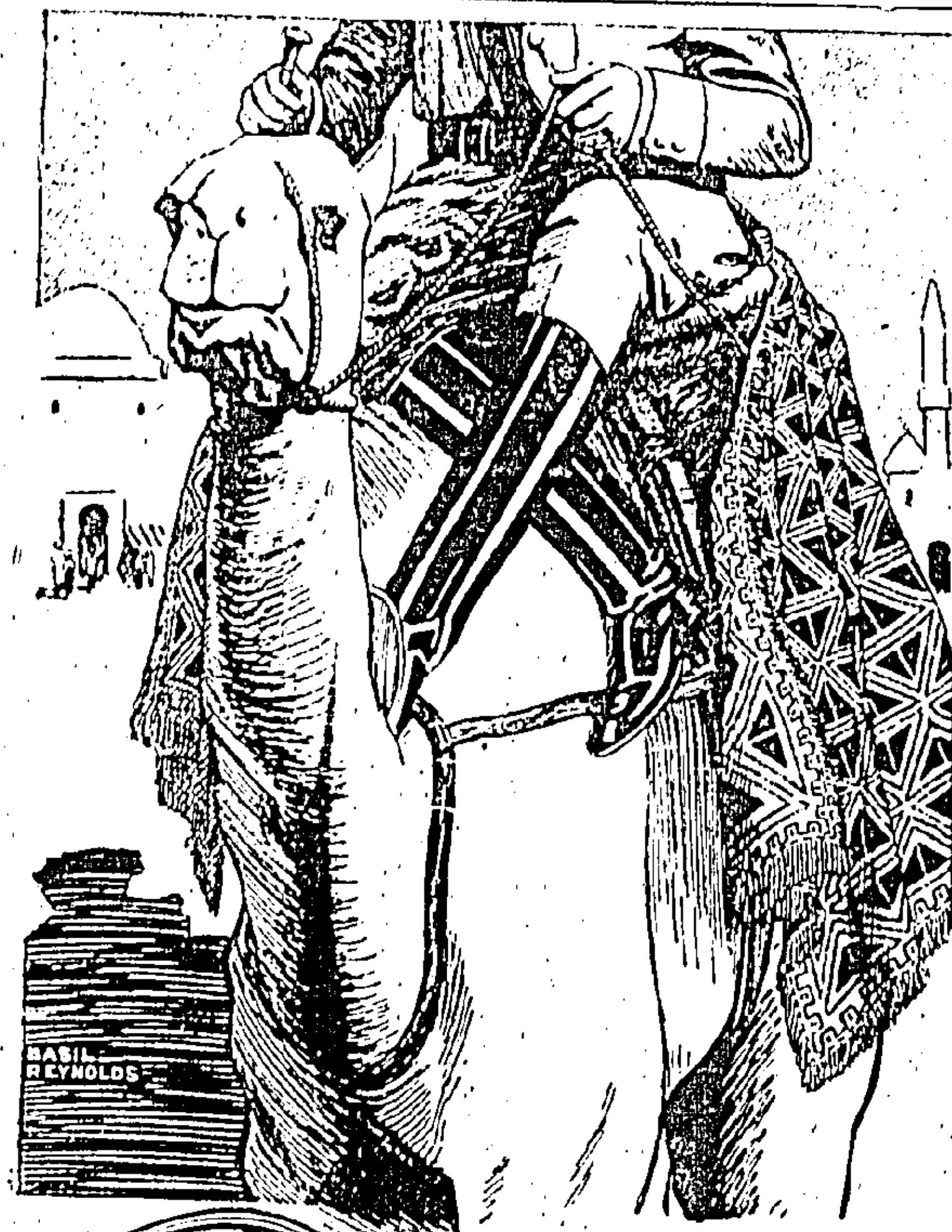
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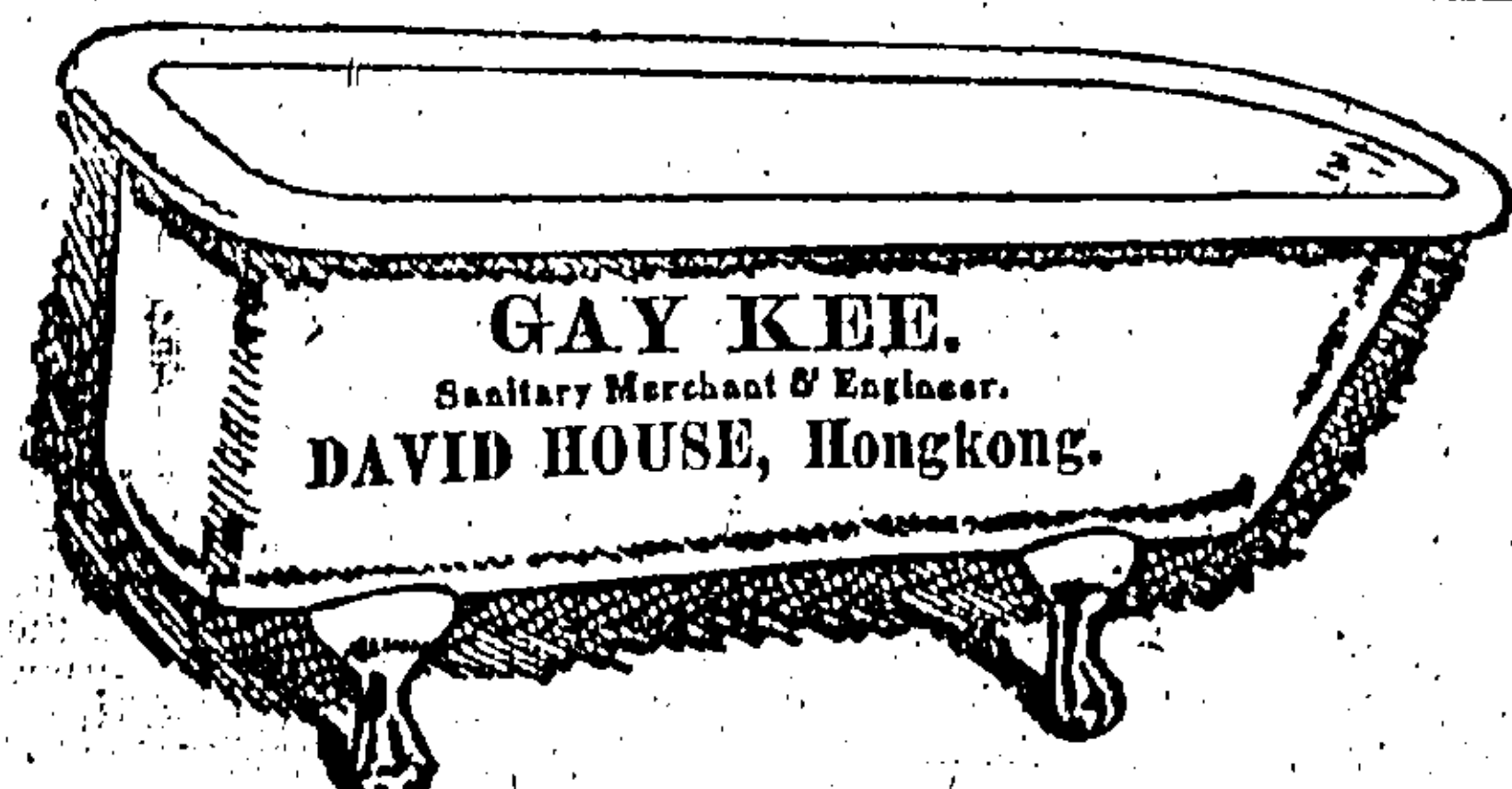
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## THE WATER CRISIS DEBATED.

(Continued from Page 9)

Now, Sir, the hon. member has read Sessional Paper No. 4 of 1929 and he will therefore know that this second section is estimated to cost \$4,750,000. Our engineers are, at the present time, engaged in the examination of this scheme. It was only very broadly outlined when first suggested in 1924 and we are not yet in a position to submit detailed proposals to the Secretary of State for his approval. That is one of the special reasons why the Government has not been able to accept the hon. member's motion as it stands.

Wiser to Wait.

The hon. member referred to a second pipe line. Now that is a thing which has been very carefully considered and it has been decided it is wiser to wait until we have gained experience in the laying of the first pipe line and in its use before we start to make the second one.

Of the other items mentioned in Mr. Henderson's report the Hongkong and Kowloon mains are being dealt with on a regular programme of improvements on sums voted in the annual Estimates. The North Point tank appears in the Estimates for this year and the engineers hope to commence it this year. The Kowloon City tank, although a desirable work, has not been felt to be a necessity up to the present. It is, however, on the programme.

Now, Sir, I think the hon. member will admit that the Government has not been idle since Mr. Henderson's report was published. The Government cannot entirely disregard the importance of finance in works of such magnitude as the construction of waterworks. I can well believe, as the hon. member stated in a letter to the Press, that the Government can reckon fully upon the hearty support of all sections of the community in putting the water supply and distribution on a permanent and satisfactory basis.

But the Government cannot place upon the Colony a load of debt which it might find difficult to repay without an increase of taxation. While the Government fully realises the necessity of increasing the water supply of this Colony, it is not disposed to embark upon large and expensive schemes without first ascertaining that the schemes have been fully investigated and the cost ascertained, that they are practicable and that they are being undertaken in the most economical way and moreover that the necessary funds can be made available to pay for them.

The Director of Public Works—I have nothing further to add to the Hon. Colonial Secretary's remarks.

### MOVER NOT SATISFIED.

Complains of Colonial Secretary's "Cheap Gibe."

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock.—Sir, At his request I sent the Honourable Colonial Secretary a note of what I was about to say to-day and I am now somewhat regretting the fact that I did so after he considered it worth while to give some cheap gibe in referring to Mr. Sutherland's scheme. He said he thought I was travelling a bit outside the terms of the motion. I would suggest to the honourable member that he might with advantage, have left that out of his speech. I can assure you, Sir, though the hon. member may not credit it, I am not very well familiar with dams and catchwaters, and although my speech may seem to the hon. Colonial Secretary a poor effort still I did take a good deal of pains in putting it together. The hon. member at the beginning of his speech said that the Government was in general sympathy with my objects, and he said very soon afterwards the Government hoped I would not press this motion to a division. In view of what has fallen from the Hon. Colonial Secretary, I certainly have every intention of pressing the motion to a division. I do not think the hon. member has shown the slightest reason why the motion should not be pressed to a division. "In the opinion of this Council it is imperative, in the interests of this Colony, that all the permanent measures to increase the water supply which are referred to in the report of Mr. R. M. Henderson, dated the 20th. of February, 1929, (other than those which have already been completed) be proceeded with and completed as soon as possible."

Sir Henry Surprised.

Now I should have thought, Sir, that a motion like that would have commended itself to every single person in the Colony, and I am rather surprised to see a gentleman of the eminence of the Hon. Colonial Secretary suggesting that there is anything harmful in the passing of such a motion. The hon. member said he could not follow the reason why I referred to various items forming the Aberdeen scheme. Well, Sir, I should have thought it was obvious that if the Government wants to carry out the Aberdeen

scheme it wants to carry it out to the full and I should have also thought it was obvious that the Aberdeen scheme would, if carried out, give a great deal of relief to the people who have been, in the past, the principal sufferers from the water shortage, namely, those people on the rider main system at West Point. I asked for contract dates for the completion of various parts of the Aberdeen scheme, and I am still waiting for a reply on that subject. All we have been told is that we shall get some relief from Aberdeen—I think it is in 1931—but that does not satisfy me at all. Not a single word has fallen from the Hon. Colonial Secretary to show that the Aberdeen scheme is being pursued with reasonable diligence. That scheme, as I said, consists of over a dozen items and all the Hon. Colonial Secretary has done is practically to repeat what the Director of Public Works told this Council on the 20th. of June this year. That is to say, we should have some water available by the spring of 1931. He has not in the least met my point, which is that the necessary parts of the Aberdeen scheme as detailed by Mr. Henderson, should be proceeded with as soon as possible.

Why the Delay.

Then, Sir, with regard to my query as to whether it was not desirable for the Government to engage outside non-Governmental engineering assistants, I submit a good deal of what the Hon. Colonial Secretary has said shows that the Government ought to have set about that long ago, because he has told us in the course of his speech that in the course of his speech that catchwaters could not be proceeded with with reasonable diligence as recommended by Mr. Henderson. Why? Because we have not got sufficient staff. The hon. member has also told us that the Kowloon Byewash reservoir was delayed for a certain time. Why? Because we have not a sufficient staff, or rather as he put it, the Kowloon Byewash reservoir could not be proceeded with owing to more important water schemes.

The Colonial Secretary.—Either I did not say what I intended to say, or the hon. member has misunderstood me.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock.—Well, what did you say? Those are the exact words I have got down—"not proceeded with owing to more important water schemes."

The Colonial Secretary.—What I said was that in February of this year when, in addition to the cross-harbour pipe and Aberdeen scheme it was decided to proceed with the Kowloon Byewash reservoir, it became impossible for the engineers to proceed with the catchwaters. That has nothing to do with Kowloon Byewash.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock.—You said that the Kowloon Byewash reservoir and the catchwaters could not be proceeded with at the same time. If that means anything at all, it must mean that they cannot be proceeded with at the same time owing to lack of staff.

H. E. The Governor.—It was decided that the one scheme was more economical than the other and should be taken up instead.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock.—Still, I do not understand the hon. member's remarks to mean anything other than it could not be proceeded with at the same time because of shortage of staff.

The Colonial Secretary.—That is really what is meant. It does not mean the Byewash was delayed.

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock.—I cannot understand the hon. member in any sense except that. The hon. member has given us satisfactory news about the Dragon's Back West catchwater. He also tells us on the question of staff that two additional engineers have been asked for but he did not tell us when these two engineers were written for, because it is quite obvious from what he has said that there must have been a necessity for them for some time and I should like to have some further information upon that point.

With regard, Sir, to the Shing Mun scheme second section, the Hon. Colonial Secretary said it was broadly outlined in 1924. Well, Sir, it was not only broadly outlined, but Mr. Henderson's report which, by the way, was not published until Sessional Paper No. 4 of 1929, contains a very full statement with regard to that scheme and also a very interesting plan attached to that report. This was issued in April, 1924. Since then it appears from the telegram I referred to in my opening speech, that the Secretary of State telegraphed the Governor: "With reference to the Shing Mun scheme second section, I agree to details being worked out immediately, as it is obvious that this will be required before long in any case."

Opposed to Tin and Tank System. Therefore, Sir, we ought to be well on with our details of the Shing Mun scheme second section, and for my part I do not understand why we are apparently so far behind in these details. I pointed out that in the same report Mr. Henderson had given an order for construction and I pointed out before that certain catchwaters and dams, numbers three and four, have been indicated by him as being desirable to be proceeded with early in the course

of going on with the Shing Mun scheme. I cannot see the smallest reason for the Government not accepting the present motion. Surely it is in the interests of the Colony, as I say in the motion, that we should have a full water supply; surely it is in the interests of the Colony that the permanent measures should be proceeded with, and surely it is in the interests of the Colony that we should proceed in accordance with the very excellent scheme which has been worked out by Mr. Henderson and his assistant, Mr. Purves. I cannot for the life of me imagine how it is that the Hon. Colonial Secretary, especially after he has had the opportunity of reading what I was about to say, could possibly, as he seems to have done, advise the Government that this resolution could not be accepted. I cannot conceive such a position possible. If he had said the thing had been suddenly sprung upon him and that I was suggesting all sorts of outside things, then I could understand the hon. member's hesitation in accepting this motion, but all I am asking this Council to do is to vigorously take up the suggestions of its own officers and that if it finds itself short of staff engage outside engineering assistants. It is imperative, in the interests of the Colony, that this scheme for the permanent relief of the Colony's water supply, as opposed to the tin and tank system, should be vigorously proceeded with.

### H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

Says there is no Difference of Opinion After all.

H.E. The Governor.—I did not have the opportunity of reading the hon. Senior Unofficial member's speech before I came to this Council nor did I have the advantage of hearing the Hon. Colonial Secretary's reply until he delivered it, but having heard both speeches I think it is very unfortunate that the hon. senior unofficial member wishes to press this motion to a division, because there is really no difference of opinion between him and the Government on this subject, and perhaps if he listens to me I might yet persuade him that the wiser course will be not to divide the Council. If the hon. member's motion had been otherwise worded, if he had merely stated that it was imperative that the Colony should have a full water supply and that it was desirable that permanent measures should be taken, there would have been no difference of opinion and I might have been able to accept it as it stood, but as the motion is to the effect that all permanent measures to increase the water supply which are referred to in a certain report should be carried out forthwith, the Government finds itself unable to accept it. Now there are certain portions of Mr. Henderson's scheme which have been cut and dried, approved, estimated for and carried out. The most important of these is, of course, the Aberdeen scheme, which has been estimated for and the whole of which it is intended to carry out. All the subsidiary works for the main reservoir which were detailed in the senior unofficial member's speech will, we hope, be carried out simultaneously with the construction of the dam. On the island there will also be constructed the catchments in connexion with the Tytam Tuk reservoir. One of them is already under construction as a temporary measure, being pushed on very rapidly in connexion with the water emergency, but it will be turned into a permanent catchwater as soon as we have opportunities to turn ourselves from temporary to permanent measures. While I am on the point I should like to draw the hon. senior unofficial member's attention to the fact that he somewhat unfairly criticises the Government, because he fails to draw attention to how the Public Works staff have to absorb temporary measures. If it had not been for the fact that the Director of Public Works and his staff had been absorbed in these temporary measures, we might have been able to spend the last few months on permanent works instead of on temporary work. While this emergency continues, I fear a large amount of the energy of the Government and its officers will be absorbed in work which is simply of temporary utility.

An Unwarrantable Expenditure. On the mainland we are carrying out and have almost completed the first stage of the Shing Mun scheme. We propose also without delay to carry the pipe line across the harbour, a single pipe line in the first place because it is really in the nature of an experiment.

We are not quite certain of the result, but we are all hoping it will be a complete success. To construct two pipe lines would commit the Colony to an expenditure which is unwarrantable in view of the many doubts which still hang over the scheme. The second stage of the Shing Mun scheme is still in a somewhat hazy condition. The senior unofficial member himself accom-

## FLORIDA BANK FAILURE.

CITRUS FLY RESPONSIBLE.

New York, July 18.

The Florida bank failure is largely due to the inroads of the Mediterranean fruit fly on the State's citrus crop.

The directors of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Tampa with branches in the citrus region, have issued a statement that the trouble is due to "unwise gossip" in continued adverse conditions, following the appearance of the Mediterranean fruit fly, which is responsible for the feeling of unrest and fear.

The State comptroller agrees that the ravages of this fly have accentuated the financial depression.

Florida prohibitionists attribute the introduction of the fly to rum runners from the Bahamas.

Mr. Hoover has allotted \$200,000 to combat the fly. General quarantine has been declared against Florida fruit.—Reuter's American Service.

panied me with other members of the Council some months ago on a visit to Shing Mun Valley. When we were there we saw preparatory work for the Shing Mun gorge dam. That dam had not even then got to the stage where we knew the foundations for it were likely to be. Cuttings were being made on the hillside in order to ascertain where the rock went and where the dam could best be placed. The hon. member then accompanied me from the gorge further up the Shing Mun river and we came to a point near the Shing Mun village. It is proposed, in Mr. Henderson's scheme, that the dam should be placed there. Mr. Henderson himself did not know what the proper site would be. We looked at two sites on that occasion but no decision has been taken where it should be constructed. He has also in contemplation further dams in Shing Mun Valley, at least two more on the way down to Tai-po, but there again Mr. Henderson himself has not made up his mind where these dams should be placed nor have we any idea of the cost of these works. When the location of these dams is known, when the cost of them is also known, it will then be necessary to obtain the sanction of the Secretary of State. I have no doubt the Secretary of State will give his sanction to any well-considered schemes I put before him, and I feel sure such schemes will have the unanimous support of this Council when they come before it, but until the schemes are fully prepared and not merely adumbrated, it will be quite premature for this Council to commit itself. Even Mr. Henderson, if he were here to-day, would not be able to tell us exactly what he wants to do in the Shing Mun Valley. Under these circumstances I think the hon. member will see we ought not to adopt the resolution as placed on the Order paper.

Bearing the Cost.

There is also the question of finance. If we are to commit this Colony to very heavy waterworks construction we must also be prepared to bear the cost. The cost will be a reasonable charge on loan but interest on the sinking fund and loan will have to be paid. If we are to embark on costly schemes we must be prepared in our next Budget to find the necessary sums and I am not at all sure that schemes of the magnitude indicated in Mr. Henderson's report could be carried out at this stage without resorting to increased taxation. I would remind the hon. senior Chinese member who supported this motion, that at the recent meeting of *kaifong*, one resolution passed was that the time for additional taxation. Therefore, I think the Chinese community realise we have to go slowly. We have the same end in view, but we wish to achieve it, if possible, without any additional taxation. I do not think that this is a time when we ought to increase taxes, if we can avoid the necessity for doing so. I suggest, therefore, again to the hon. senior unofficial member that in view of the fact that he and I really see eye to eye on this matter that there is no need that we should record opposite votes on this subject.

Motion Amended and Passed.

Sir Henry Pollock.—Sir, I am quite prepared to alter my motion in order to meet your Excellency's views as follows:

"That in the opinion of this Council it is imperative in the interests of this Colony that permanent measures to increase the water supply of the Colony should be pressed on with the utmost despatch."

H. E. The Governor.—That, I am quite willing to accept.

Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow.—I beg to second the motion as amended. The motion as amended was then put to the meeting and carried.

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# RIVAL WIVES

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## CHAPTER XL.

"Heaven knows," Nan Morgan reflected despairingly, "it would be hard enough to be a second wife under any circumstances, but to be called upon to explain and justify one's status to the seven-year-old child of the first wife."

But the boy's eyes were fixed upon her, in an inexorable, unchild-like demand for an answer to his question. By simply answering "Yes," Nan knew she could win the first skirmish in the battle between herself and Iris for the custody of the child. For he was just and logical beyond his years. And the answer would be the simple truth. Iris had known that she was pregnant when she married him. He had known that she was pregnant when she married him. He had known that she was pregnant when she married him.

And so Nan answered: "I don't think your mother thought about the law when she went away darling. But you see, your father didn't know she was ever coming back." Her voice choked on a sob. That was true, true! If he had had the faintest hope, he would never have married again. And so he married me, Curtis, because he thought you both needed me.

Curtis nodded forlornly. "I told him to," he admitted slowly. "And I was awful glad when you came to live with us. But now my real mother's come back." He was obviously wrestling with the problem. Nan's heart ached with pity as she watched him. Finally he drew a deep, quivering breath, then blurted out: "Mother said I'd have to choose between you and her, Nan. Did she mean you'd go and she'd come back, if I said so?"

Nan's impulse—the quick demand of her pride—was to stoke everything then and there on the boy's choice. She couldn't stay where she was not wanted! But as the hot little fingers gripped her hand, they sent an imperative message to her brain. The boy was feverish. In one brief visit, Iris had done that to him, by feeding him all the chocolates he could stuff. Biting her tongue to hold back a too-hasty answer, the girl studied the child, placing a mental picture of him as he had been a year ago beside the boy he had become since she had been in charge of his life.

The Curtis of a year ago had been thin, anemic, neuritic; lonely, wistfully unhappy, violent of temper. The product of more than six years of Iris Morgan's mothering. In less than one year she—Nan—had changed that Curtis into a sturdy, healthy, happy, obedient little boy, beautifully adjusted to school and home life. Did she have the right to abandon him now? Him, and the father who had needed her just as sorely and profited as obviously under her care?

Very slowly and carefully she answered: "No, Curtis. Your mother didn't mean that you could choose whether I went away and she came back. I am your father's wife now, you know, and unless he wants me to go, I must stay and—make you both as happy as I possibly can."

"Oh!" Curtis said, drawing the syllable out very long. Then, very slowly: "I'm glad I don't have to choose, Nan, 'cause—'cause I want you and mother both. If father wants you to stay, I can see mother lots anyway, can't I, Nan? I think she'd feel bad if I didn't be explained, as if fearful of hurting Nan's feelings."

Tears gushed into the girl's eyes. Blinking at them, she stooped swiftly and kissed him with a fierceness that embarrassed, while it pleased him.

"You do love Nan, don't you, darling?" she begged, pride completely routed for the moment. "Sure I do!" Curtis answered, with masculine brusqueness. "And I love my mother, too. I guess I love you both nearly the same. A kid has to love his own mother the best, don't he?—I mean, doesn't he?"

The child's preoccupation with grammar in face of the tremendous issues involved struck Nan as irresistibly funny. She was laughing almost hysterically as she tucked the covers about him and gave him a good-night kiss.

"Good night, Nan," he murmured, suddenly drowsy. "Listen, Nan! If you were my real mother, I'd love you best—lots the best. But—" Conscientiousness, loyalty and griefed bewilderment gave up the battle then, routed by sleep.

Nan stood looking down upon him for a long minute, and there was no laughter in her heart or eyes. Then she tiptoed from the room, her head of despair a little lighter. That naive confession of Curtis had crystallized her indecision—turned it into firm determination. She would fight Iris Morgan to the last ditch.

Iris was poison for the man and the child. No matter if he cried for that sugar-coated poison, it was her duty to protect them. Standing in the middle of her room Nan Morgan cried out to the God she so sorely needed: "Dear God, help me to win—for their sakes! You know it isn't because I'm in love with John Curtis Morgan that I want to hold him against Iris. Of course I love him with all my heart, but if it were for his good, I would leave him tonight. You know I'm shfully proud, that if I listened to my pride, I'd make him choose between us this minute. But, oh, dear God, he needs me, and the child needs me. Help me to humble my pride, so that I can fight the harder. Help me to win."

Her heart was almost at peace when she crept into bed. Both her doors were unlocked. Her husband could come to her, if he wished. But she did not listen for his footsteps for she was sure that he would not come. Because bitterness had melted out of her heart she was able to put herself in his place that night. She felt the grief and pain he must be suffering. Recalled from the thought of love-making, even of seeking comfort, just as he must be recoiling. Poor John! Poor, torn victim of a passion he had thought dead, and of a love that was still too new and delicate to weather the storm of that fierce, reviving passion for a woman who was unworthy but incredibly desirable. Poor John! She could almost hear him groan: "God forgive me, for I love two women."

That night Nan wept for him, rather than for herself, and so healed was the temporary forgetfulness of self that soon she slept, and the next morning felt more light-hearted and stronger than she had ever hoped to feel again.

She needed courage and strength to carry her through the days that followed immediately upon Iris Morgan's return. Her husband was a stricken man, though he tried, with obvious and heartbreaking conscientiousness, to present a normally cheerful face to his family and to his downtown world. He was pathetically grateful for Nan's quiet acceptance of his moodiness, and she believed, for her unimpeachably firm "Good night" in the drawing-room each evening. Sometimes, when she was thus making it clear that she did not expect him to play the lover or husband while his heart was a battleground, his eyes met hers with wistful questioning, as if they were mutely asking: "Do you really understand and forgive me, Nan? Do you see how it is with me? Don't you know that I love you, too, but that I can't come to you just yet?"

And her own round, childish but wise eyes told him: "I do understand. Don't you worry your dear head about me now. But boy, me as much as you can."

Two days after Iris' return John Curtis Morgan presented his legal wife with a smart little coupe, explaining awkwardly: "A prosperous firm like ours ought to be able to afford two cars. A don't you think? I want you to feel free to come and go as you please, without bothering about how I'm going to get around."

As she thanked him, Nan's heart contracted sharply. Was the car a clumsy attempt at peace-making? Surely he did not think he had to bribe her to be patient and cheerful! Then she dismissed the suspicion as unworthy of both of them. The car would be a great convenience. It would permit her to stay at home later in the mornings, so that she could put a greater emphasis upon her housekeeping and home-making. Another weapon against Iris, who had not cared enough to turn the house into a home. Of course, she would miss those companionable trips downtown together, Nan reflected ruefully, but those last two days they had been a strain upon both of them. Was that, possibly, the reason he had contrived to make them unnecessary?

For four days father and son made afternoon trips to the hospital to see the woman who had deserted them and who had now flung herself upon their mercy. After that first day, those trips were not mentioned. Not even Curtis referred to them, but each evening he had no appetite for his dinner, and Nan realized, helplessly, that Iris was stuffing him with unwholesome sweets. And she could not forbid him to accept. She could imagine the boy's quick retort: "I guess my own mother knows what's good for me!" No; her hands were tied.

The fourth day after Iris' return was Christmas Eve. Nan had bought an elaborate carpentering outfit for Curtis, as well as all the materials he could need in constructing a toy airplane. His father had consulted her anxiously as to

## "EXCESS BAGGAGE."

WILLIAM HAINES IN A NEW ROLE.

William Haines, who has hitherto been associated only with the broadest farce, has an entirely different role in "Excess Baggage," a remarkable story of stage life, which will be screened from to-day to Saturday at the Queen's Theatre.

The story concerns the adventures of a theatrical married couple who fail to reach stardom as a unit, but win success individually. They become estranged although they still love each other and the dramatic manner in which their problem is solved before the eyes of the theatre audience in one of the biggest theatres in New York City is one of the most unusual climaxes ever screened, according to advance reports.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has spared no expense to make this film one of the big successes of the year. James Cruze, the director of the "Covered Wagon," is largely responsible for the success of the picture. The story was adapted from the well-known stage success by John Gown.

The supporting cast was chosen with care and includes Ricardo Cortez, Kathleen Clifford, Greta Granstedt, Neely Edwards and Cyril Chadwick.

## THE FOSSIL HUNTERS.

ANDREWS EXPEDITION HOPES TO RESUME WORK.

Peking, July 18. Mr. Roy Chapman Andrews stated to-day that the fact that the Cultural Association of Peking had prevented his expedition going to Mongolia this year to complete eight years' scientific work there, would not stop their scientific work in Asia.

The Cultural Association had sought to impose conditions which were unacceptable to any scientific institution in the world. However, fossils such as they sought probably existed in other parts of the Central Asian plateau, and he hoped in a few years the expedition would be working for the benefit of the world of science in other parts of that plateau.—*Reuter.*

The advisability of giving the boy a bicycle. Knowing Curtis' passionate desire for the wheel, Nan had encouraged its purchase, with the assurance that he would obey their injunctions to ride only on sidewalks. But the bicycle had not been bought. On Christmas Eve Morgan confessed hesitatingly:

"His mother was afraid of an accident. She—I thought perhaps a toy automobile would be more safe. It's quite nice. Operates with pedals, you know. I hope he'll like it."

Nan flushed hotly as she applauded the choice with apparent cheerfulness. Of course Iris had put her in the wrong, but made John feel that his son's very life was in danger, so long as Nan had control of him.

Decorating the Christmas tree was rather hasty, for the first of the living mother who should have been there hovered over the girl and the man during the whole ceremony.

"No fair peeping or shaking the box," Morgan warned Nan, with a forced jocularity that made her throat ache with tears, as he tied her present to a branch of the tree. "I wonder if he's giving Iris a Christmas present." She could not help asking herself. "Of course he helped Curtis choose something for her, and I'm glad he did. But oh, I'll be relieved when Christmas is over!"

But when Christmas Day actually dawned, all her own private heartache was swallowed up in a terrible anxiety about Curtis. Nan and Morgan had said to each other with pretended cheerfulness that they supposed the boy would be up before daylight, whooping over his tree and presents, and making it impossible for anyone else to sleep, but when eight o'clock came there had been no sound from his room. Vaguely worried, Nan went to wake him and found him heavy-eyed with fever. Within half an hour Dr. Black was there, looking grave, and pronouncing the trouble an upset digestion.

And I've been holding you up as an example to all the mothers on my list," the doctor chided Nan gently. "Have you been falling down on your job?"

John Curtis Morgan, who was standing beside his wife, answered for her, his face flushed with embarrassment. "I'll take the blame, doctor. I'm afraid I've been indulging the boy behind his mother's back. She never lets him eat between meals, but—" He stumbled over the lie, shifted his eyes.

The doctor nodded; his eyes narrowed. "I think I understand, Morgan. But no one must be permitted to tamper with Nan's discipline of the boy. No one!" At the end of the long, anxious day came a telegram for John Curtis Morgan.

(To be Continued.)

## SINO-SOVIET BREAK.

(Continued from Page 1.)

The Chinese in Harbin expect war with Russia.

Troop movements on both sides have continued without relaxation and it is stated that several thousands of additional Soviet troops have arrived at Manchuli. General Chang Tso-hsiang has ordered a Brigade of Kirin troops, now stationed at Shannanikwan, to reinforce the Chinese forces at Manchuli.

Chang Hsueh-liang's Stand.

In an official report to the Nanking National Government, General Chang Hsueh-liang emphasizes that the seizure of the Chinese Eastern Railway is not what has been termed "a high handed action by the Chinese Government" but is in reality an attempt to force the Soviet Government to adhere to the Soviet-Soviet agreement, which the Soviet authorities have, under one pretext or another, delayed to carry out.

General Chang Ching-hui, the Governor of Harbin, asserts that the annual profit of the C.E.R. is \$20,000,000 which has been solely devoted by the Soviet authorities to Communist propaganda in China.

Nanking Plenipotentiary.

Semi-official sources state that the National Government intends to appoint Mr. Chu Shao-yang as Chinese plenipotentiary to conduct negotiations with the Soviet Government for the settlement of the dispute over the C.E.R. Mr. Chu is eminently suited, he lived for ten years in Moscow and his long connexion with the Chinese Legation, together with his intimate knowledge of the Russian people leads to the hope that a satisfactory result may be reached.

Soviet Concentrations.

Nanking, July 18. Chang Hsueh-liang has wired to the National Government that the Soviet is concentrating forces along the Russo-Manchurian border, and the situation is extremely grave.—*Reuter.*

Insistence on Rights.

Tokyo, July 18. Declaring that the reported severance of Sino-Russian diplomatic relations betrayed expectation by the two countries to settle their disputes through peaceful negotiations, the Foreign Office spokesman observed that the Soviet Note did not necessarily mean war but indicated a determination to insist on their interests and rights under the Sino-Russian and Russo-Mukden agreements.

At the same time, added the official spokesman, "we do not exclude the chance of open war between the two countries as the loss of the Chinese Eastern Railway must be a question of life and death to Vladivostok."—*Reuter.*

Osaka Fears War.

Osaka, July 18. The news of the Soviet's break with China has caused a great shock here. It is feared that the disputed control of the Chinese Eastern Railway must lead to war.—*Reuter.*

Hostilities not Expected.

Tokyo, July 18. The Japanese General Staff, which is probably the best-informed organ in the world regarding the politico-strategic situation in Manchuria, expresses the belief that the rupture of Sino-Russian relations is unlikely to lead to an outbreak of hostilities, but admits that the concentration of Chinese and Soviet troops along the border, facing each other, causes apprehension lest their proximity in the present excited state precipitates a clash.—*Reuter.*

Watchful Waiting.

Tokyo, July 18. It is officially learned that on July 16 Mr. Tokichi Tanaka, the Japanese ambassador at Moscow, visited M. Karakhan, who explained the Soviet standpoint, but said nothing to indicate an intention to adopt the present measures, nor touched on the question either of Japanese mediation or neutrality.

Though the Japanese Government is still maintaining an attitude of watchful waiting, it has indicated the possibility of the Government making representations to both China and Russia for the purpose of maintaining peace.

It is understood the Foreign Minister, Baron Shidehara, discussed the latest developments with the Premier in the afternoon.

German Comment.

Berlin, July 18. The possibility of warlike complications between China and Russia are scouted in diplomatic circles, who interpret Russia's move as the first step in a campaign of economic pressure, to make China more amenable to negotiations whereby Russia may obtain the maximum price for disinterestedness in the Manchurian railways.—*Reuter.*

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Sir,—As your correspondent "Lactea" still persists in asking questions I am taking it upon myself, as the Company's Manager, to answer same:

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(b) The cooling of milk does not remove any portion of the cream nor does it in any way interfere with its food value any more than the placing of a bottle of milk in an ice chest does. The cooling of milk is both advised and practised by all authorities in all parts of the world.

The suggestion that the feeding of infants on pure fresh milk of standard quality is likely to cause infantile scurvy is, to say the least, absurd. The Dairy Farm Co. has supplied the Colony with milk for the last 40 years and thousands of children have been brought up on it; and we have yet to learn that Dairy Farm milk, or any other pure milk, can cause infantile scurvy. The local medical profession and the parents of the children in the Colony are the best judges in this regard.

The following extract from Dr. G. M. Harrison's book on "Care and Treatment of European Children in the Tropics" will perhaps satisfy your enquiry:

"The most powerful argument that the practitioner in the tropics can advance to the parents in favour of natural feeding is that deduced from facts. In the United Kingdom the infantile mortality from gastro-intestinal disorders is 3.5 per cent; in India the mortality from the same cause is 13.3 per cent. The admission rate for the same complaints in the United Kingdom amounts to 103.5 per 1,000, in India to 96.2 per 1,000; so that, although the admission rate is less in India, the mortality is nearly four times as great as that in the United Kingdom. The incidence of these gastro-intestinal disorders is found to fall almost entirely on artificially reared infants. With a good milk supply from a well organized and sanitary dairy, artificial feeding can be carried out with impunity, but good dairy farms are scarce in the tropics. Hongkong is the fortunate possessor of one of the finest dairy farms in the Far East. The ravages of haemorrhagic septicaemia and foot-and-mouth disease, the bane of tropical dairy farms, have been reduced to a minimum in the Hongkong farm as a result of scientific investigation and prophylaxis; but this result has only been attained after years of practical experience. The food supply of the cows is carefully supervised, and each shed and compound has its own separate staff of milkers, so that, on the outbreak of disease of any kind, isolation is easily carried out and the disease checked immediately. Furthermore, there is less likelihood of the milkers conveying to the sheds the carriers of disease—viz., ticks, biting flies and other insects. Strangers are not admitted without a special order from the directors—an order difficult to obtain. This rule has the effect of materially reducing the number of abortions which frequently occur

## PACIFIC RELATIONS.

BRITISH DELEGATION TO THE COMING CONFERENCE.

London, July 18.

It is officially announced that the British delegation to the conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations, at Kyoto in October, will be headed by Lord Hailsham, former Lord Chancellor, and will also include Mr. Lionel Curtis, founder of the Royal Institute of International Affairs; Dame Edith Lytton, one of the British delegates to the League of Nations Assembly; Professor Arnold Toynbee, a member of the British delegation to the Versailles Peace conference; the Hon. Hugh Wyndham, acting secretary of the Royal Institute; and several others, including Mr. William Turner, director of the British Consular Service in China; Mr. Hardy Jovett of Peking, and Professor Hudson of the Imperial University, Tokyo.—*Reuter.*

amongst cows imported to the tropics. I have merely mentioned these few facts to illustrate the many difficulties which beset the efficient conduct of dairy farms in tropical countries. As an instance of the efficiency which can be obtained by a dairy farm conducted on scientific principles, I may further add that milk sterilized at the Hongkong farm has been conveyed by travellers from that port through Burma, India, up the Nile, and, finally, to London, where it has been found on analysis to be equal in quality to the best that could be obtained in the Metropolis. Large sums of money have been spent by governments in establishing sanitary dairy farms in the tropics, mostly with disappointing results. The above few facts, however, may further stimulate the efforts of authorities in this direction.

Apologising for the length of my letter.—Yours, etc.

For the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., A. STEVENSON, Manager.

Sir,—I am afraid that "Lactea's" contentions must not be taken seriously. First of all, he has been indirectly or directly associated with the Dairy Farm for 40 years, and yet asks us to believe that he hesitates calling at Mr. Manley's office when seeking information. Furthermore, he would have us believe that he is not actuated by ulterior motives. Although professing ignorance (which I accept) he indicates that he has managed to discover a medical work covering milk feeding. The mere giving of extracts is usually the resort of those who desire to impress where knowledge is non-existent, excepting, of course when the particular individual happens to be a fail with the work in question, which "Lactea" is not.

"Lactea" refers to milk being diluted down which, statement simply demonstrates his ignorance. For some curious reason, he condemns a modern and hygienic institution like the Dairy Farm and dares native owned and managed dairies. I reiterate my original contention that Hongkong is extremely fortunate, especially when compared with the majority of foreign settlements throughout the East, to have the assurance that such vital food factors as milk and other dairy products should be produced under such assuring modern conditions.—Yours, etc. BABY WELFARE.

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Hongkong, 17th July, 1929.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriters on or before the 3rd August, 1929 or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Hongkong, 13th July, 1929.

MOTOR-CAR CRASH.

FAMOUS FILM MAGNATE VERY SERIOUSLY HURT.

New York, July 18.

A small car containing three women collided, at Long Island, with a Rolls Royce containing Mr. William Fox, the film magnate, and his friend, Mr. J. L. Rubenstein.

The women were unhurt, but Messrs. Fox and Rubenstein were seriously injured, and Mr. Fox's chauffeur was killed.

Mr. Fox was taken to hospital and operated on for blood transfusion. Mr. Carroll Nash, the New York actor, supplying the blood.

The girl driver of the colliding car was found to have no licence, and has been arrested.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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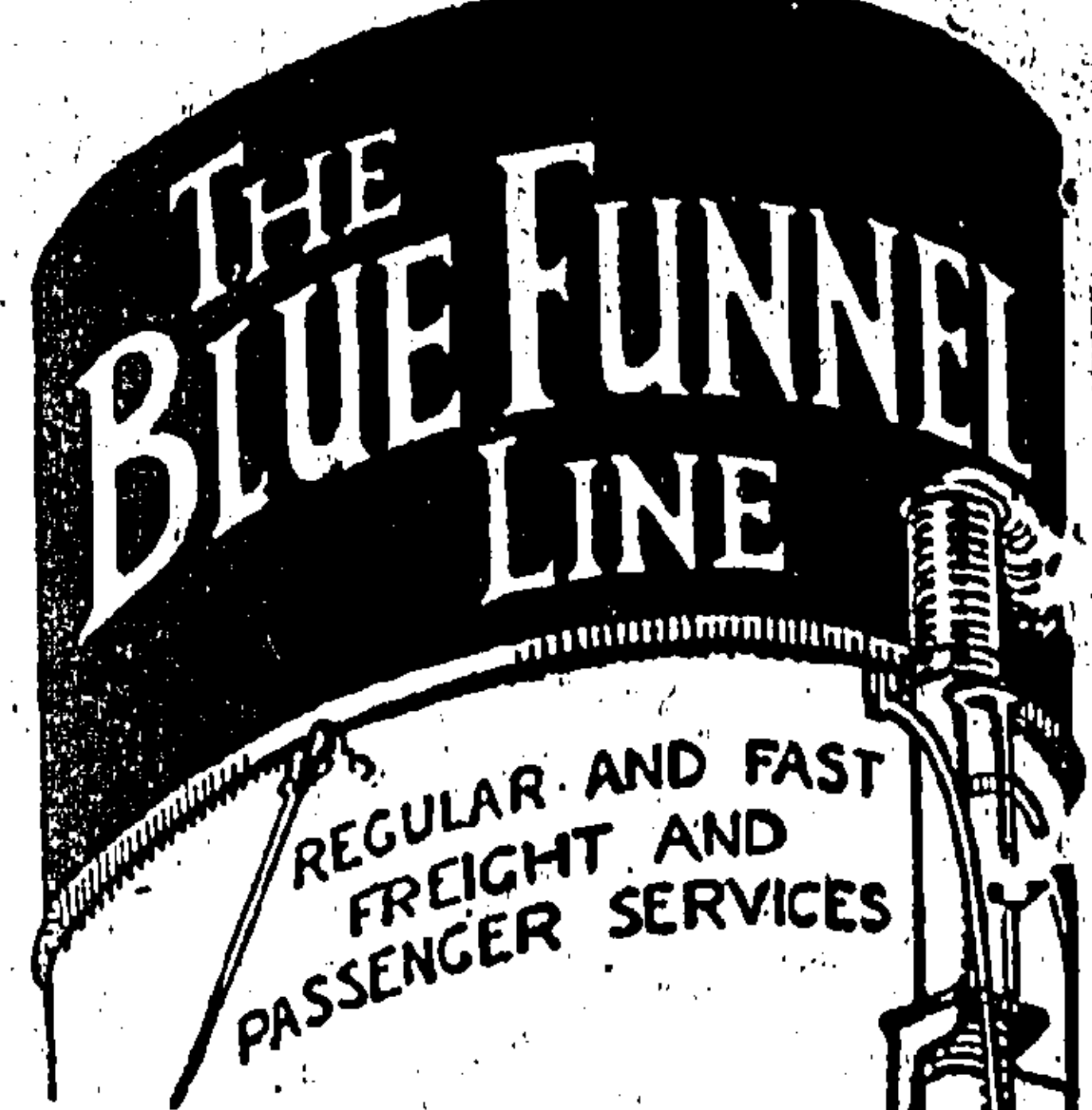
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| Durban Maru                                                                    | Saturday, 29th July.  |
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## STORAGE FIGURES.

### KOWLOON IN A HAPPY POSITION.

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council the Director of Public Works gave some interesting storage figures. He said:

In accordance with your Excellency's instructions, I submit the following statement giving the water position to date.  
The total storage in the island reservoirs this morning amounted to approximately 400 million gallons. The normal full consumption of Hongkong may be taken as 11 million gallons a day. Thus, there is in the reservoirs at this rate of consumption, only 36 days' supply. At the present restricted rate of consumption there is over 150 days' supply.

Before a full supply can be given to the city at this period of the year, a storage of approximately 2,000 million gallons would be necessary, which means that we require to have all our reservoirs full or nearly so. This would provide a full supply for 182 days.

The total increase due to the recent rains, which gave an average rainfall for the week of 9 inches, is 247 million gallons.

The Kowloon reservoirs are still rising slowly owing to the effects of the recent rains, and the yield from the Shing Mun River during the week was 150.50 million gallons. Although Kowloon reservoirs are not yet full, the Shing Mun River is delivering sufficient water to make Kowloon independent of its reservoir supplies for some time.

## ROYAL MAIL COMPANY.

### BROTHERS AT DEBENTURE HOLDERS' MEETING.

London, July 18.

Lord Kylsant and Viscount St. Davids met to-day at a meeting in the Cannon Street Hotel of Royal Mail debenture holders, which was largely attended in view of the dispute between the two brothers.

It was noticed that they did not greet each other, and did not exchange a word throughout the meeting.

A resolution was passed appointing the Midland Bank Executor and Trustee Company, Limited, as a trustee for the second debenture stock, replacing the Duke of Abercorn, who resigned, as he explained, because an arrangement whereby a director acted as trustee for debenture holders might be open to criticism.—*Reuter.*

[A London message of July 16 stated that a remarkable circular had been issued by Viscount St. Davids, trustee for first and second debenture holders of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, indicating disagreement with his brother, Lord Kylsant, the Chairman of the Company. The Company's stocks were estimated to have dwindled by £3,300,000 in value since the beginning of June. Viscount St. Davids, in his circular, stated that the first intimation he had of the issue of second debentures in July of last year was through the newspapers, and announced his impending retirement from the trusteeship, as his duty to the second debenture holders might conflict with his duty to the first.]

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

### SERVICES CONTRACTUALS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship

"CHENONCEAUX,"  
Arrived Hongkong on Tuesday the 16th July, 1929.

Arrived from MARSEILLES & also from MARSEILLES, COGNAC & ex ss. "ROLLON" & "TETUAN." Consignees of Cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Thursday the 26th July, 1929 or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Godard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Monday the 22nd July, 1929.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

L. LESDROS,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1929.

## NEW J.C.I.L. SHIP.

### TJIBADAK DUE TO ARRIVE NEXT WEEK.

The new Java-China-Japan Line steamer "Tjibadak" is expected to arrive at Hongkong for the first time on Wednesday, July 24, en route from Batavia to Shanghai.

This steamer has been built in Holland at Krimpen a/d Yssel by Messrs. N.V.C. van der Giesen and Zonen's Scheepswerf. The engines are supplied by N.V. Koninklijke Maatschap. Pijl De Schelde at Flushing.

The steamer is classified A 1 Lloyd's Register and is a passenger and cargo ship fitted out with most modern equipment.

She has accommodation for 24 first class, 38 second class, 75 intermediate second class and a great number of double bunks. The accommodation for first class passengers is on the bridge deck, consisting of a luxurious social hall and dining-room, eight single and eight double cabins. The second class accommodation situated aft on the poop deck consists of four double and ten three-berth cabins and the intermediate second class of 15 five-berth cabins. The two-deck where deck passengers are accommodated are fitted out with automatic ventilators. The officers and engineers are accommodated on the boat deck.

The engine-room installation consists of four Babcock and Wilcox boilers with a total heating surface of 12,000 square feet, fitted out for burning coal as well as oil-fuel. The engine is a 3600 H.P. turbine engine of the Parsons 2-cylinder type.

The length of the steamer between perpendiculars is 431' 6". Her breadth is 56', and draught 28' 1". She has a loading capacity of 9200 tons, her gross register tonnage being 7803. The vessel's displacement is 14,600 tons and her speed is 14 knots. The steamer is equipped with wireless and radio direction finder. She carries a European surgeon.

The s.s. "Tjibadak" is an addition to the well known fleet of the Java-China-Japan Line to be proud of and as the steamer will be plying between Java, Hongkong, Amoy and Shanghai, it is expected that the excellent first class passenger accommodation will induce many tourists to visit the beautiful islands of the Dutch East Indian Archipelago.

A reception will be held on board next Thursday afternoon to enable those interested to visit this up to date steamer.

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

### OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO. LTD.

And  
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Vessel.

"PHILOCTETES,"  
From UNITED KINGDOM via SINGAPORE.

are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 15th July. Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th July, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 7th August, or they will not be recognized.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Hongkong, 16th July, 1929.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd July will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 8th August or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th July, 1929.

## OBITUARY.

### DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN CANTON POLICE OFFICER.

Mr. Ng Kwok-ying, who had ten years service with the Canton Police and was well known in Police circles in both Hongkong and Macao, passed away at his residence in Canton on Wednesday.

He was for many years the head of the Criminal Intelligence Department of the Canton Public Safety Bureau.

Some time last week Mr. Ng came on an important errand to Hongkong, and was reported to be critically ill on his return from Hongkong to Canton on Wednesday. He died the same evening.

Deceased was 55 years of age.

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| KHIVA      | 9,135  | 20 July, noon.        | M'les & London           |
| KHYBER     | 9,114  | 3rd Aug.              | Marseilles, L'don & Hull |
| KIDDERPORE | 5,334  | 15th Aug.             | Straits, Colombo & B'bay |
| MALWA      | 10,980 | 17th Aug.             | Bombay, M'les & L'don    |
| KASHMIR    | 8,985  | 31st Aug.             | Marseilles, L'don & Hull |

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|          |        |            |                           |
|----------|--------|------------|---------------------------|
| TILAWA   | 10,006 | 24th July. | S'pore, Penang & Calcutta |
| SIRDHANA | 7,745  | 29th July. | S'pore, Penang & Calcutta |
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| KASHMIR      | 8,985  | 2nd Aug.         | S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko        |
| TALMA        | 10,000 | 2nd Aug.         | Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yoko & Osaka  |
| *SHEAF-MOUNT | —      | 4th Aug.         | S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko        |
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Supplementary expenditure, totalling \$20,400, was approved by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at a meeting held yesterday.  
The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga in connexion with a vote for \$12,000, for

the payment of the salary of the Assistant to the Attorney General, asked:—When was the appointment made, and given equal qualifications could any barrister in the Colony be appointed?

The Chairman:—It is made by H. E. the Governor, subject, of course, to the approval of the Secretary of State.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.—Was it generally known to the legal profession that there was such an appointment vacant for barristers in Hongkong?

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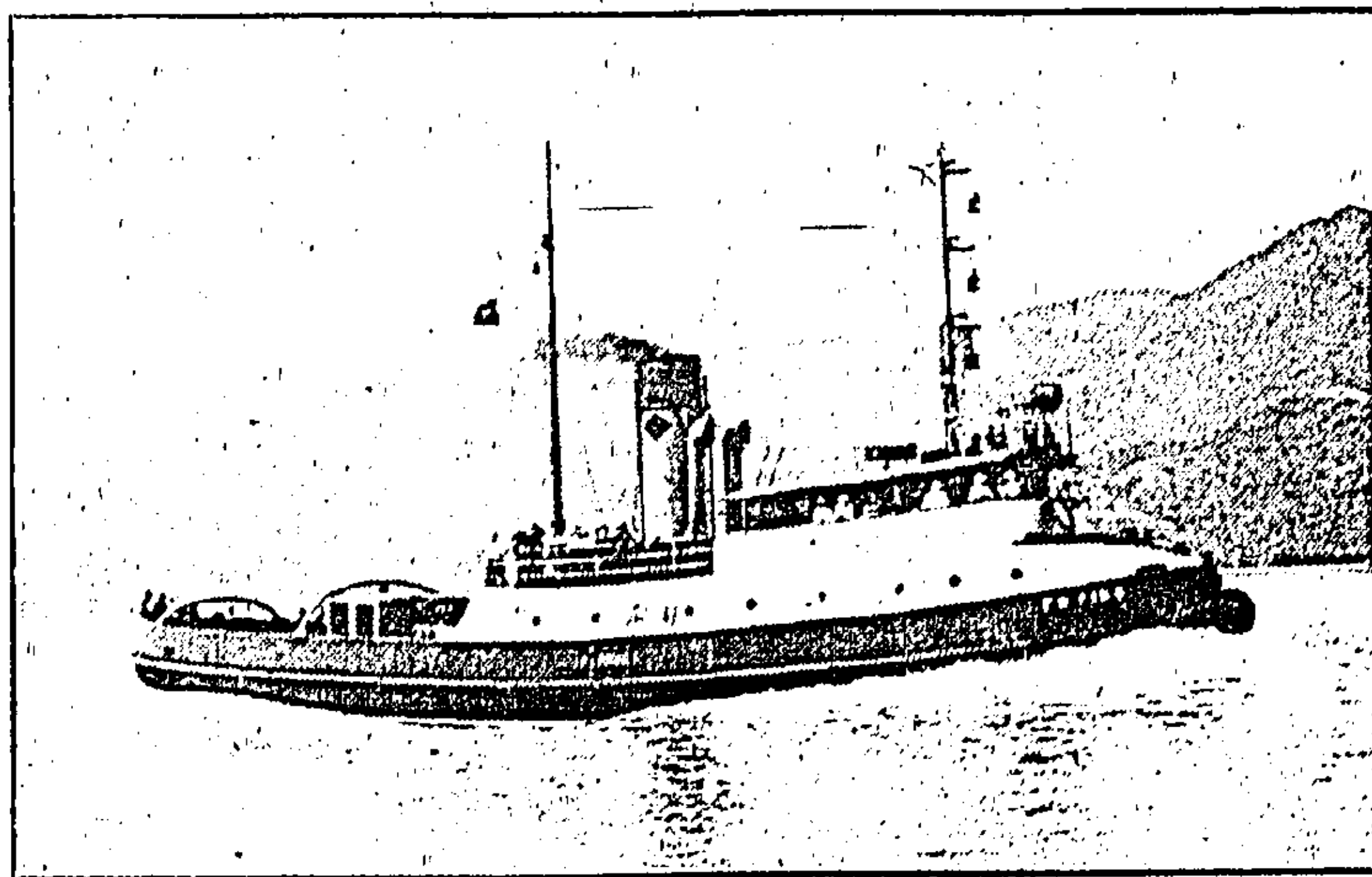
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### POST OFFICE ADVICE.

The Postmaster-General (Mr. N. L. Smith) seen this morning, stated that so far he had received no reply to his request for information regarding the possibilities of interference with the trans-Siberian railway which he telegraphed to the Post Commissioner at Shanghai yesterday.

In the circumstances, however, Mr. Smith has decided not to forward mails by the trans-Siberian route for the present and has issued the following notice:

"In view of the uncertainty of the situation in Manchuria no mails are being forwarded via Siberia until further notice. Superfluous correspondence intended for to-day's Siberian mail (s.s. Malva) will be sent via Suez by s.s. Khiva to-morrow."

### BOGUS CONSTABLE SENTENCED.

DEMANDED BRIBE FROM  
STREET COOLIE.

Convicted of charge of assuming the designation of a constable and of demanding \$1 with menaces from a street coolie, a Chinese employed at the Government Shipway as coal coolie was fined \$25, or three weeks' hard labour, on the first charge, and sentenced to three weeks without the option on the second, when he appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

According to the prosecution, the defendant stopped the complainant who was carrying a basket in Woosung Street on Wednesday evening. The defendant informed him that he was a member of the "Hawkers' Department" and asked the complainant if he did not know what was expected of him.

The complainant intimated that he did not understand and the defendant replied that he wanted \$1. On being told that he did not have the money, the defendant threatened to take the complainant to the Police Station.

A district watchman arrived on the scene and after learning of the incident took the parties to the Police Station.

### ROBBERY CASE FALLS THROUGH.

COMPLAINANT RETURNS TO  
THE COUNTRY.

Owing to the absence of the complainant in an armed robbery case which came before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, the police offered no evidence against the defendant, who was accordingly discharged.

The defendant was charged with being concerned in an armed robbery committed on board a cargo boat off San Chai Island on July 2.

When the case was called this morning, Detective Sub-Inspector Dording informed his Worship that the police were offering no evidence against the accused. He explained that the complainant had gone back to the country and there was no likelihood of his returning to Hongkong again.

### HOLDER SUCCEEDS.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING BOUT  
IN NEW YORK.

New York, July 18.  
At the Yankee Stadium, in a contest for the lightweight championship of the world, Tommy Loughran, the holder, won a decision on points over the challenger, James J. Braddock.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Loughran dispelled all doubts of his ability to dominate in the lightweight division by administering a sound thrashing to the youthful New Jersey challenger.

The majority of the ringsters considered that the champion won at least twelve or thirteen rounds. The decision of the judges and referee was unanimous.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### THE KING'S PROGRESS.

London, July 18.  
It is officially announced from Buckingham Palace that the King's progress is maintained.—*Reuter.*

### JOSS-PAPER SHOP FIRES.

EARLY MORN BLAZES ON BOTH  
SIDES OF HARBOUR.

### IMBECILE RESCUED.

Shortly before 4 o'clock this morning, the Kowloon Fire Brigade received a call from Shamshui, where a fire had broken out in the ground floor of a house situated at No. 35, Nam-cheung Street.

The fire originated in the cock-loft above the ground floor, which is occupied by a joss-paper shop. Smoke was issuing, densely, from the premises, when the firemen arrived, but prompt action with a hose averted disaster, the fire being extinguished, the only damage caused being to the wood partition of the cock-loft.

The fire was started, it is believed, by a foki of the joss-shop, an alleged imbecile, who was found lying unconscious in the cock-loft, having been overcome by the smoke. He was rescued by firemen and removed to Kowloon Hospital in an ambulance.

Certain statements of a wild and ludicrous nature, which he was heard to utter before being partially suffocated by the smoke, have confirmed the impression that the man was mentally deranged.

Another joss-paper shop was affected by a fire which broke out at 1.44 this morning, at 314, Queen's Road Central. The ground floor of this address is occupied by the Kwong Pook Hing joss-paper shop, which also uses the first floor of the building, where the fire broke out, as a storeroom and sleeping quarters for its foks.

Four appliances were dispatched to the scene upon a report being received and the fire was extinguished at an early stage. Very little damage was actually caused by the fire, but a stock of joss-paper was ruined by water. The proprietors of the shop have placed the loss of stock at a figure as high as \$1,000.

### TRIAL OF INDIAN COMMUNISTS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

party, in order to introduce a nucleus of Communism among Indian students abroad, also the various methods adopted by them for the delivery of correspondence through fictitious addresses in order to observe secrecy.

Saddatvala Involved.

Continuing his speech, Mr. James said Mr. Bell, the colonial head of the Communist Party in Great Britain, had arranged interviews between Mr. Saddatvala and a number of returned Indian students, and showed photographed copies of correspondence on the subject.

British Communists tried their utmost to get young Indian students to join their movement and propagate it in India. Their idea was to form an Indian group in India, Counsel then read copious extracts from the letters of M. N. Roy and C. P. Dutt, who gave general instructions to Indian Communists.

The next emissary to come to India was George Allison. He had had taste, as he came on a false passport as Campbell. He was a prominent member of the British Communist Party and had also taken part in the Communist International. He formed a Labour Swaraj group in Bombay, which was a Communist body, but he could not do much, as he was sent away owing to his false passport.

### CHINESE ATTACKED BY DOG.

POLICE SHOOT ANIMAL  
IN KOWLOON.

A dog belonging to Mr. Fan, of 34, Nathan Road, Kowloon, broke loose yesterday and attacked a Chinese boy, who was severely bitten.

After running about wild for some time, it was eventually shot by the police who, suspecting rabies, have removed the carcass to the Bacteriological Institute for examination.

The injured boy is being given precautionary treatment at the Kowloon Hospital.

### BRITISH CRUISER.

H.M.S. EXETER LAUNCHED  
AT DEVONPORT.

London, July 18.  
Britain's latest new cruiser of the "City" class, H.M.S. Exeter, was launched at Devonport Dockyard to-day.  
The vessel is of 8,400 tons.—*Reuter.*

### RAISING BRITISH SCHOOL AGE.

IMPORTANT DECISION BY  
GOVERNMENT.

### OPERATION IN 1931.

London, July 18.  
An announcement of far-reaching importance was made in the House of Commons to-day by Sir C. P. Trevelyan, the President of the Board of Education.

In reply to questions, Sir Charles said that the Government had given most careful consideration to the most suitable date for raising the school leaving age of children from fourteen to fifteen.

The decision had been reached to raise the age as from April 1st, 1931, and the Government was now preparing legislation to give effect to this decision.

In the meantime, the Government was seeking the co-operation of local education authorities and professional bodies. He intended to meet as many as possible with a view to consultation and assistance.

He mentioned that the Government was also giving consideration, in the same connexion, to the form and amounts of maintenance allowances.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

### PRINCE WILL FLY TO SCOUTS JAMBOREE.

50,000 LADS' GREETING BY  
HOWL AND DASH.

It is officially announced that the Prince of Wales has decided to fly from London to Birkenhead on Thursday, August 1, to visit the Bo. Scouts' International Jamboree.

His Royal Highness will land at Hooton Aerodrome, to which the public will be admitted, and will be given an aerial salute by members of the Liverpool and District Aero Club.

Scouts from all parts of the Empire and from 41 other countries will welcome the Prince, who will spend a night in camp with them. On the Friday the Prince will witness a grand rally from the dais in front of the grand stand in Arrowe Park, Birkenhead.

Pageant of Nations.

In this pageant of nations he will be greeted by 50,000 Scouts from all parts of the world, who, at a given signal, will give the Scouts' howl and dash in camp formation towards the dais.

At another signal they will come to a standstill in a semi-circle round the Royal dais, and will then be addressed by the Prince.

His Royal Highness will fly back to London on the Friday evening.

It is understood that he has expressed a desire to fly in order to encourage aviation on Merseyside and the North.

### OPIUM SMUGGLER'S TRICK.

DRUG HIDDEN IN HOLLOW  
PUMPKIN.

A pumpkin of colossal dimensions was exhibited in the Court this morning as the latest medium devised by smugglers for the concealment of opium.

With the interior scooped out, and the cut piece replaced, it formed a snug receptacle for 34 tins of opium, valued at \$600.

Carried by a Chinese on his shoulder yesterday near the Yuen On Wharf, it would not have drawn the attention of revenue officers, but for their having previously received very precise information. The man was arrested and an examination of the pumpkin confirmed their suspicions.

The prisoner was fined \$6,000, or one year's hard labour, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, Revenue Officer Grimmit prosecuting.

### MORE WASTAGE OF WATER.

MAN CAUGHT WASHING FEET  
AT KOWLOON.

Several arrests were made on the mainland yesterday of persons wasting water at street fountains. A Chinese who was alleged to have been washing his feet under the tap which was running continuously was fined \$5 on his appearance before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

He was stated to have run away on seeing a sergeant approach, leaving the water to run to waste. Three other men were each fined \$3 for washing clothes within one hundred yards of a street fountain.

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